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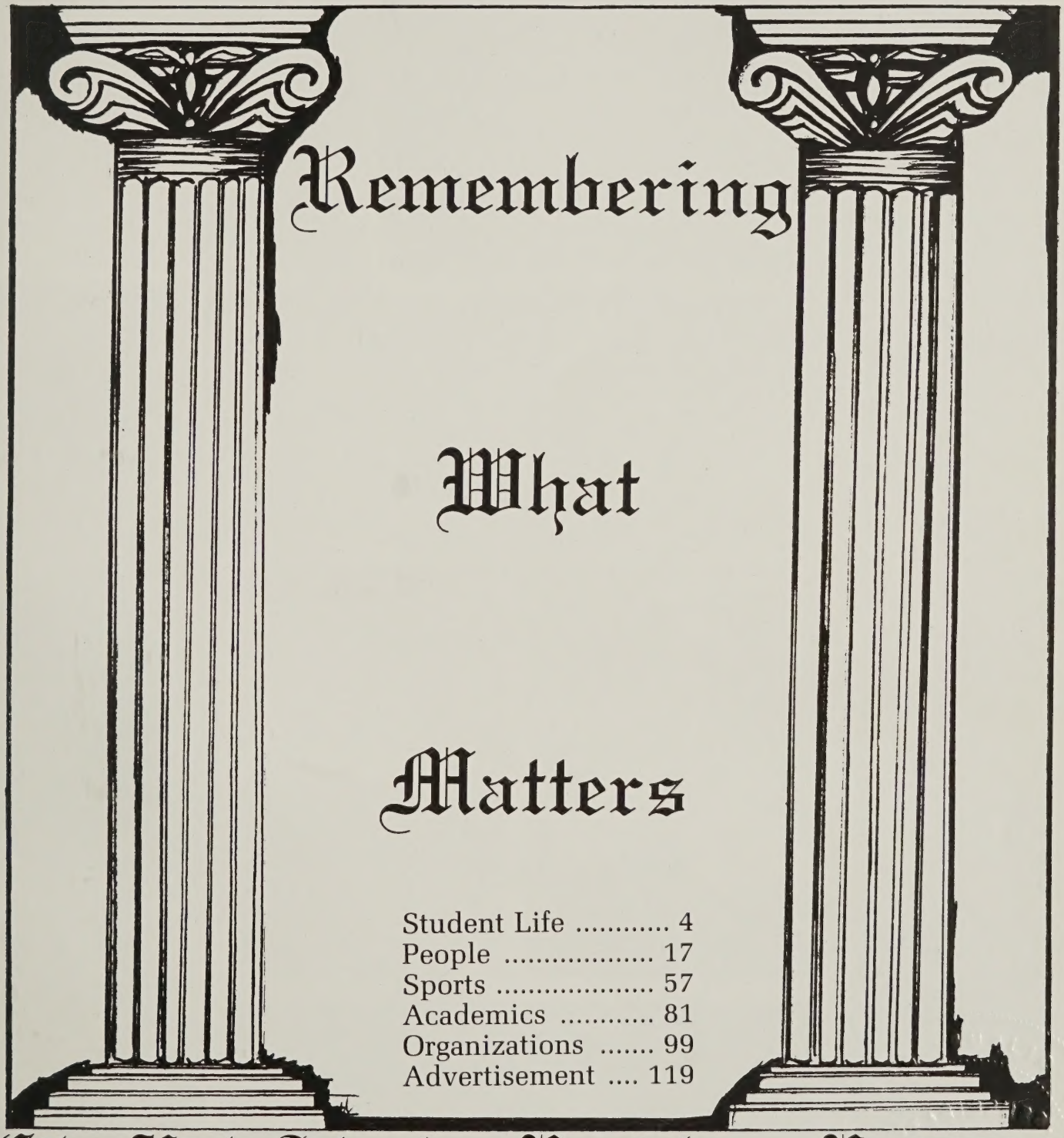

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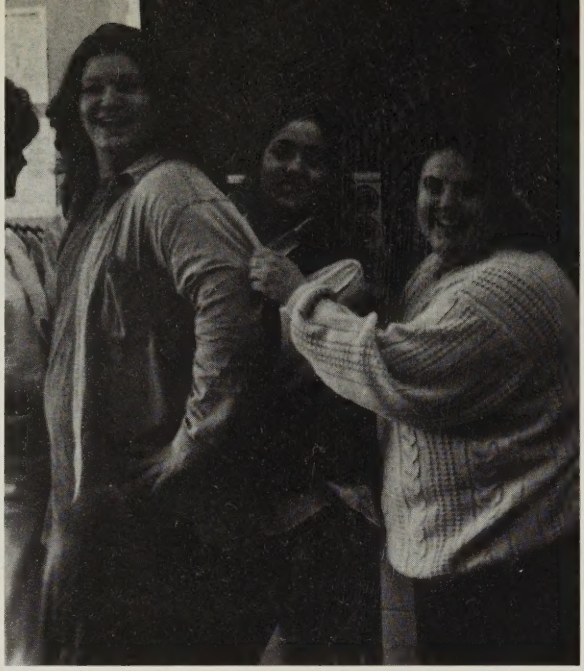
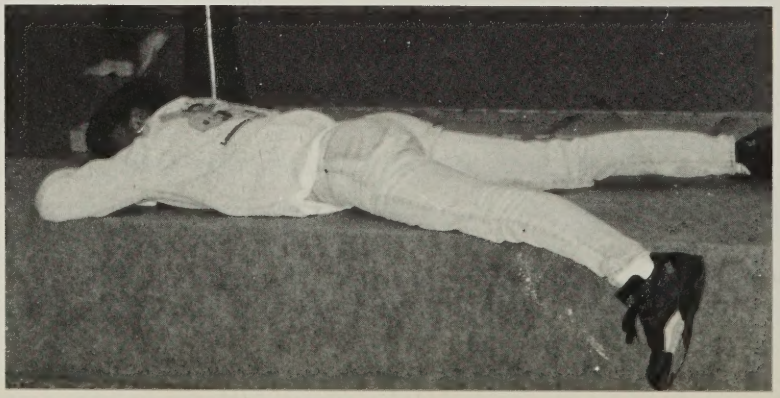
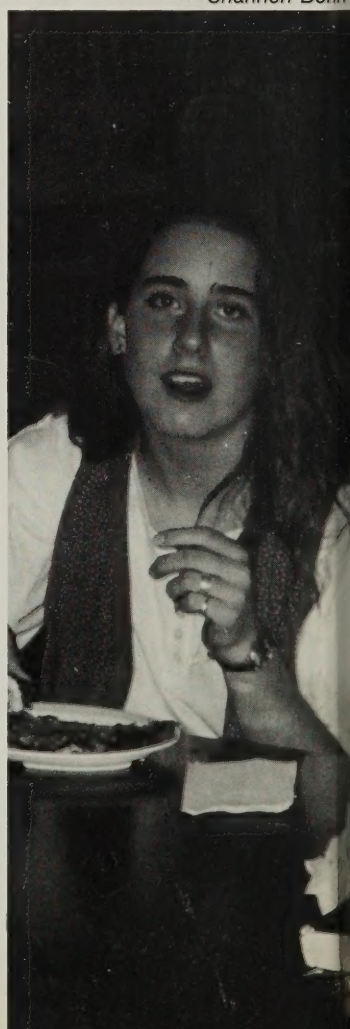


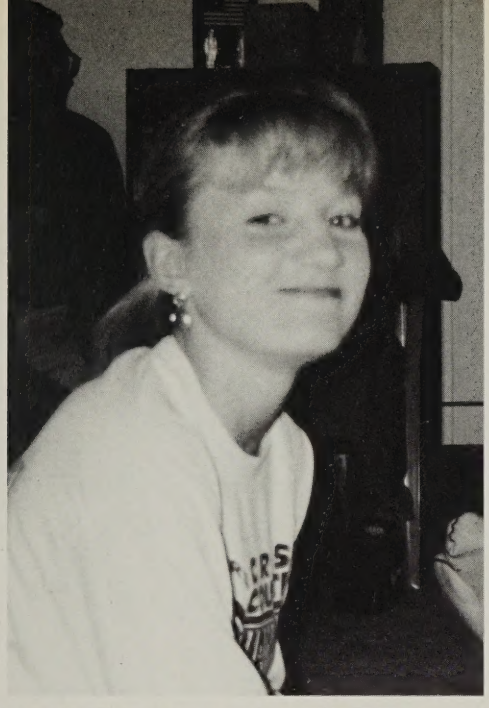
Remembering What

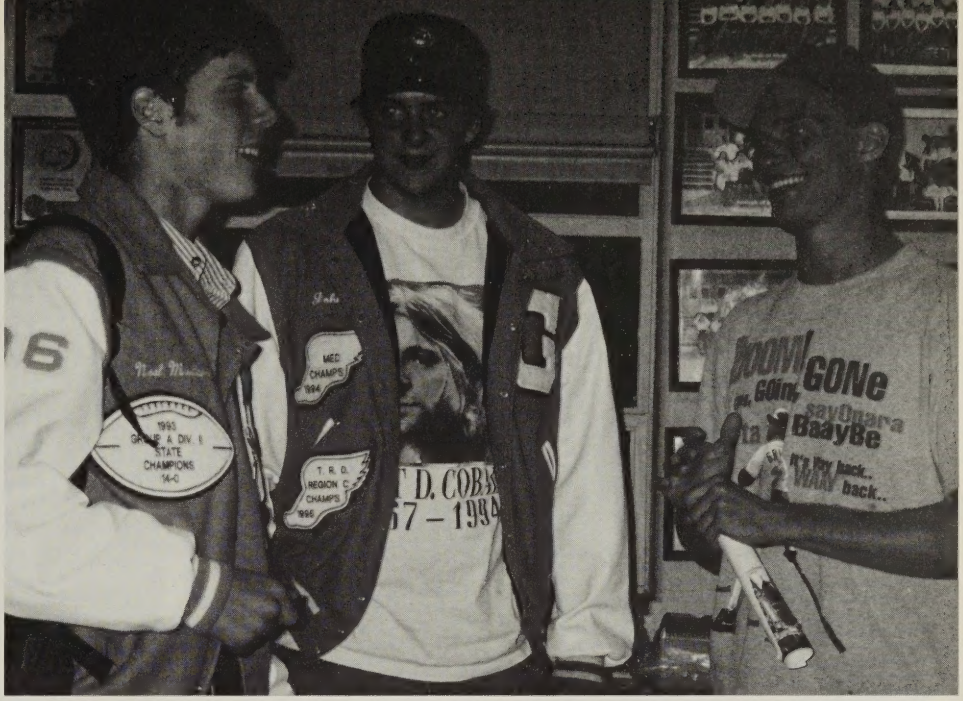
Buildings crumble, faces fade, but Memories last . . . FOREVER

— Shannon Bohn









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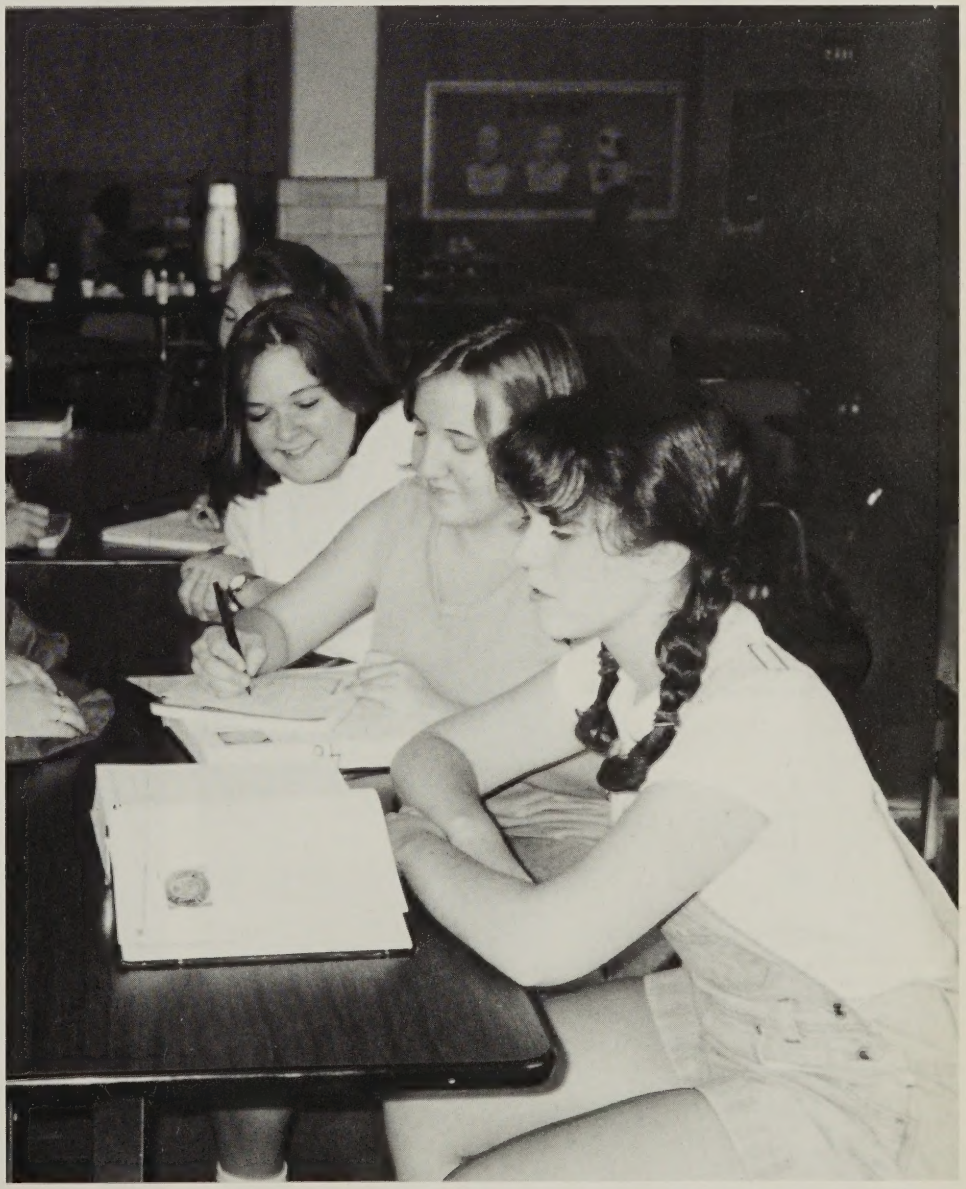
"QUOTABLE QUOTE"

riendships that have stood the test — time and change — are surely best. — oseph Parry



SPARTAN SPIRIT

The spirit of the Spartans will never die.

IT DOESN'T GET ANY

BETTER

Every Friday the spirit at Giles High School shines through as students and faculty dress in bandannas, jerseys, and red, white, and blue.

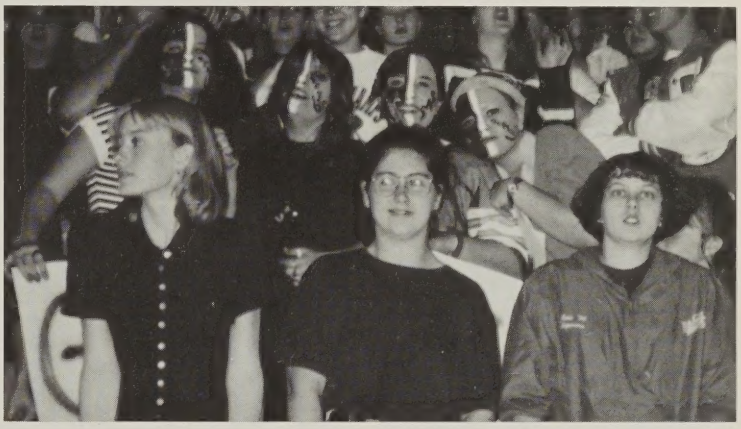
The eighth grade, JV, and varsity cheerleaders led the juniors in the spirit competition during a pep rally.

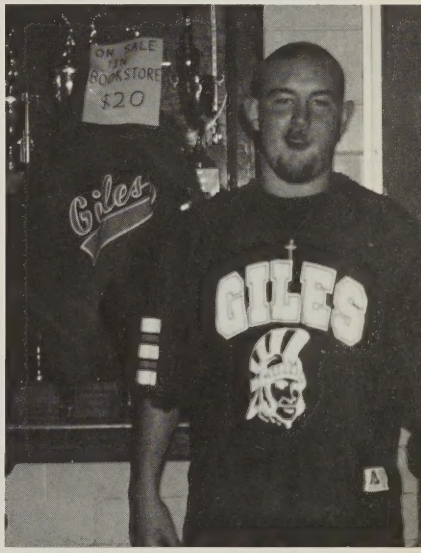
Senior Michael Mertz strikes a pose of spirit.

Junior Ray Perdue makes his statement of fashion while showing his spirit.

Seniors Alex Webb, Kevin Slusser, Reggie Hoston, and Jerod Dalton make their entrance into the pep rally as everyone cheers them on.

The Seniors show their spirit by painting their faces in red, white, and blue.





Junior Roger Simpkins, a varsity football player, shows his spirit by wearing his Spartan jersey to school every Friday.

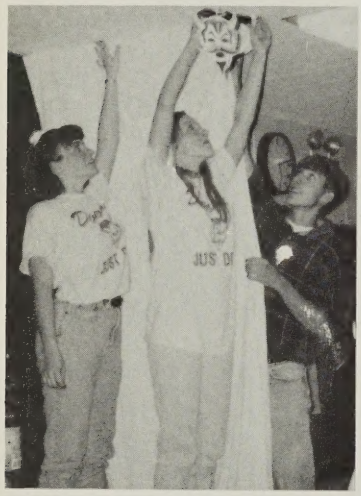
Too much energy? Sophomores Rachel Williams and Amy Rider flex their "muscles" as Kelly Myers "cheeses" for the camera.

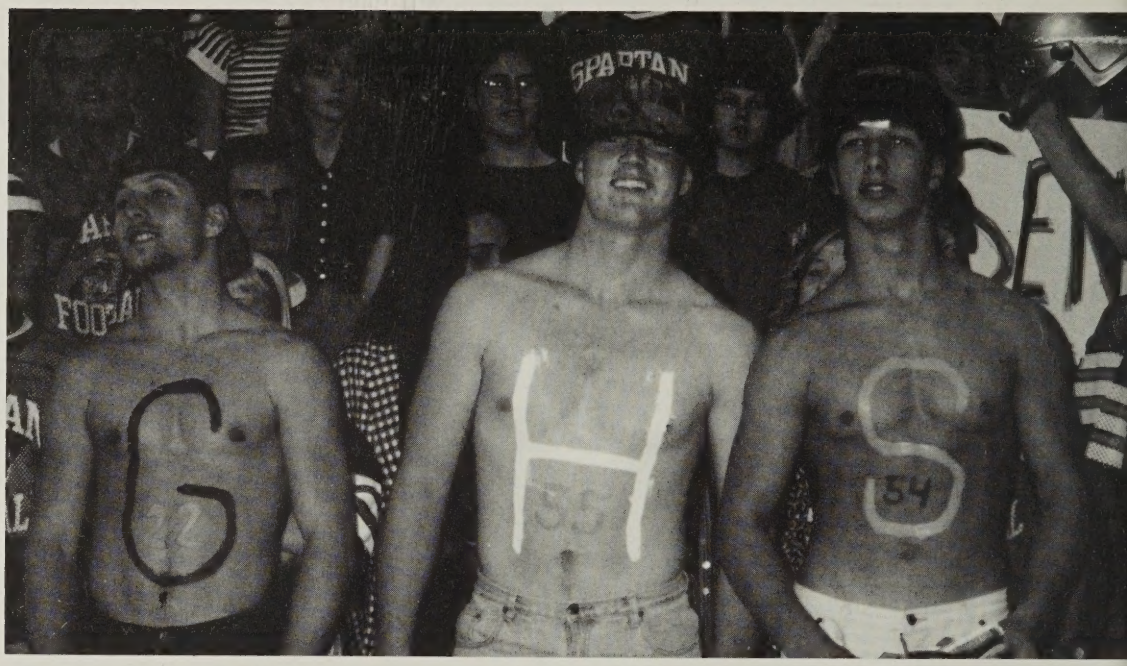
"We will succeed." The Spartan cheerleaders join together to cheer the team on to a great success.

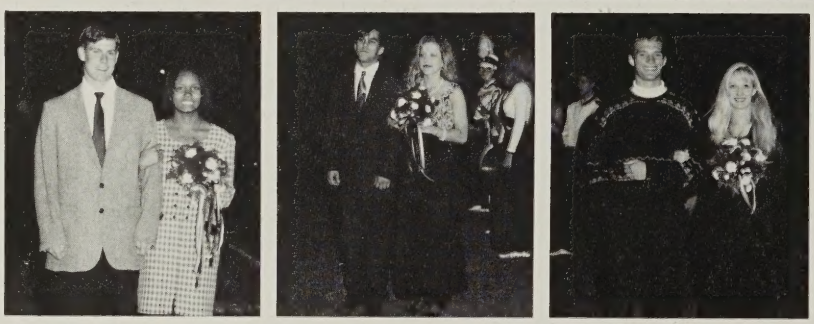
Seniors Kevin Slusser, Alex Webb, and Jerod Dalton bear their Spartan Spirit at the pep rally.

Her royal highness. Tina Collins flashes a smile just before she is crowned Homecoming Queen.

"Welcome to Heaven, No Demons Allowed." Seniors Jessica Higginbotham, Billie Jean Kirk, and Scott Caldwell lend a helping hand for the senior hall decorations.







Senior princesses: Lashawnda Dickerson, and Billie Jean Kirk. Junior princess: Julie Keating

Junior princess: Cheryl McClellan, Sophomore princess: Sarah Lucas, Freshman princess: Mary Catherine Clark

8th grade princess: Nicole Sheppard, Crown bearers: Roberta Dickerson, Jerod Brown, and Sarah Howlett. Far Right: The Senior Homecoming Court.

Homecoming

Remembering Homecoming Night

How can we forget the day we were allowed to wear our pajamas to school without having to go to the office or being sent home to change? Or staying after school to decorate the preassigned areas to show off our school spirit? Or how about the way the Spartan football team humiliated the Christiansburg Demons that night, with a final score of 35-6? We can't. It is embedded in our brains so deeply that we will never forget Homecoming 1995.

It was apparent as you walked in the door, that that particular Friday was different. Sure, everyone was dressed in their typical red, white, and blue, but there was excitement in the air — an excitement that made the pep rally better than it has ever been before. The entire school was pumped for the football game and ready to cheer our team on to another victory.

Although some believe the highlight that night was our victory over the Demons, it was really the 1995 Homecoming Court. Eight beautiful young women dressed in their finest, walked onto the field with their handsome escorts, among their many family and friends.

Forget that night? Us? Never. It will forever be a night we will remember.

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Smiling at his adoring fans. Senior Neal Mustard flashes his million dollar smile as he walks out during the pep rally.

Putting rhythm in their steps. Seniors Bobby Vaught, Byron Gore, Wes Sartin, and junior Melissa Neice lead the band's percussion section in the Homecoming Parade.

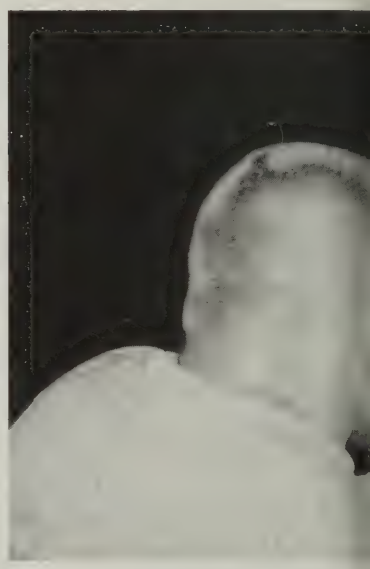
SUMMER FUN

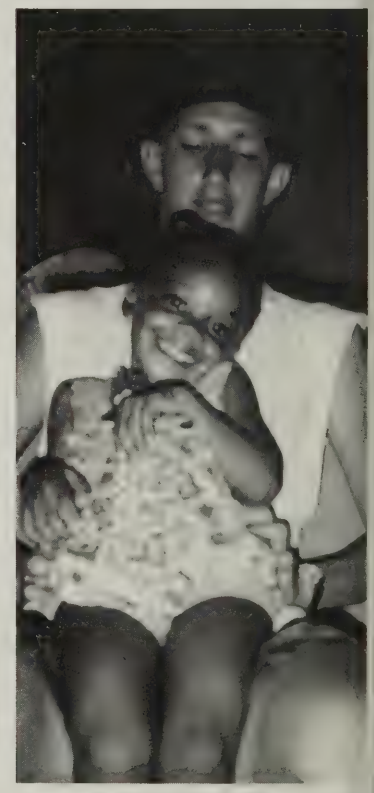
Enjoying free time

Clear waters, sandy beaches, and blue skies are almost everyone's ideas of a good summer. Some of us got to experience all this and more, on a summer mission trip to St. Vincent. Others found different ways to occupy their summertime.

Juniors Sarah Vest and Cherad Woodyard learn the importance of making new friends on a summer mission trip this summer to St. Vincent.

Checkmate! Senior Brandon Steele waits as Neal Mustard concentrates on his next move.





During a summer missions trip, senior Jimmy Smith entertains a little friend at Vacation Bible School.

Juniors Megan Noble and Michele Johnston spend some time on a fake "Harley" at the Hard Rock Cafe at Myrtle Beach.

Mr. Marion shows off his "crazy hat" he made for Crazy Hat Night at Chorale Camp in August.

Freshman Micah Steele spends his summertime underwater at Castle Rock Pool in Pembroke.

Surprise! Junior Carrie Williams is caught playing with two baby calves during the summer.

Senior Lashawnda Dickerson models her toga for "Ides of August" Day at Chorale Camp this summer.

Time out! Melissa Ramos, Jackie Phillips, and Tarah Phillips take time to relax at summer camp.

Friends

"The most important thing about school is being with your friends"

— Junior Crystal Wilburn

Senior Travis Price and Carrie Williams display their own style of friendship.

Friends forever . . . Seniors Jessica Higginbotham and Billie Jean Kirk prepare for a night of trick-or-treating.

Juniors Karrah Dunn and Whitney Matlock are all smiles in the photo booth.

Seniors Neal Mustard and Travis Price display some dazzling faces.

Bunker Hill Clan! Seniors Shane Bramblett, Wes Sartin, and Tony Peoples put their best faces forward.

Let's Celebrate

Tina Collins and Carrie Williams stop waddling around for a moment to smile for the camera.

This could be the closest Michael Mertz ever gets to freedom, and this may be the closest Freedom Kelly ever gets to PURR-fect.

Julie Keating, Cherad Woodyard, Nicole Jones, and Sarah Vest tell Santa what they are wishing for on Christmas Day.

Looking pretty happy so far, Keeli Whetzel passes out presents to her family on Christmas morning.

David DuFault takes some time out from the fun to pose for a picture in his Riddler outfit.

This door decoration by Leslie Houck won first place in the decoration contest by SADD. All of the teacher's doors were decorated for the holidays. Photos and Copy by Keeli Whetzel

Snow Court

Senior Sara Gautier and sophomore Derek Hare sit out a dance at Snow Court.

Jason Tickle, Tiffany Bowman, Jeremy Bradley, Jessica Bowman, Jason Porterfield, Ilse Scott, Ben Hatch, and Jenny Burn pose for a picture before leaving for Snow Court.

Sophomores Justin Williams, Ali Akhlaghi and Michael Peoples couldn't find room on the dance floor, so they did their dancing on a vacant table.

So sweet . . . Sophomore Donna Medley and her date dance close during a slow song.

Smile . . . Junior Michael Perdue and his date Valerie Janney take time out from dancing to smile for the camera.

Junior Princess . . . Junior Whitney Matlock escorted by junior Matt Whitehead.

Junior Princess . . . Junior Lori Talbert escorted by junior Tommy Workman.

Sophomore Jennifer Buchanan and freshman Chad Price ake time to cuddle between songs.

Danny Jones, Racheal Conley, Brandon Whittaker, Amanda Jones, Stephanie Jones, Shane Bramblett, Kenny Osbourne, and Brandy Falls pose for a picture at Snow Court.

995 Snow Court Queen . . . Senior Gina Claytor escort-d by Mike Slusser.

unior Princess . . . Junior Michele Johnston scorted by senior Neal Mustard.

Senior Princess . . . Senior Tina Kerr escort-ed by senior Andrew Wagoner.

Senior Princess . . . Senior Billie Jean Kirk es-corted by senior Jimmy Smith. Copy and layout design — Billie Jean Kirk.

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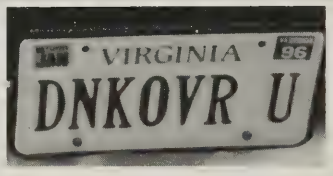
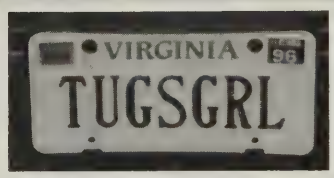
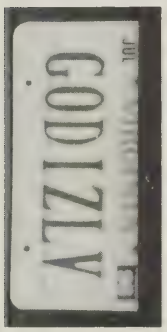
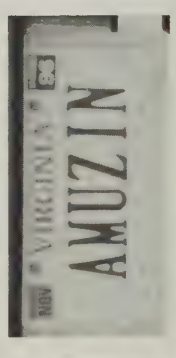
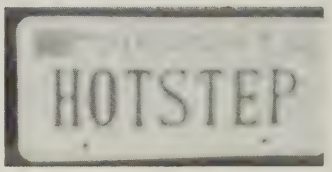
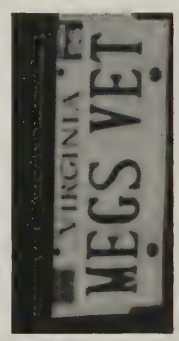






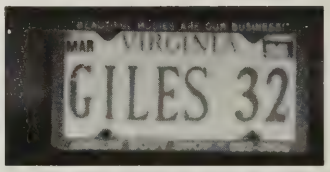


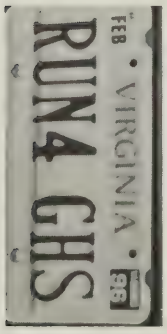




HIT THE ROAD

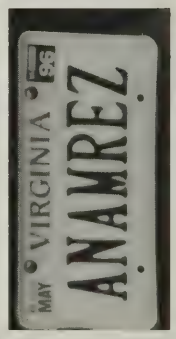
The dream of all teens is to finally turn sixteen and get their driver's license. After working hard in the classroom, they finally get to begin behind-the-wheel. Many students who play sports in the afternoon get up and come to school at 6:30AM. They sacrifice a few hours of sleep for that sacred piece of plastic. The others stay after school and work on their driving skills. Junior Whitney Matlock commented, "I hated getting up early . . . but it was definitely worth it now that I have my license!"

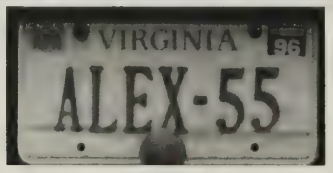


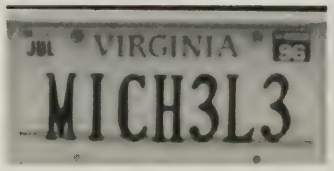


WHERE2GO:

1.) Around town: between Hardees and Save-a-lot
2.) Friend's house
3.) Around Blacksburg, Tech, or the mall
4.) The mountains







Remember The Friends

Seniors

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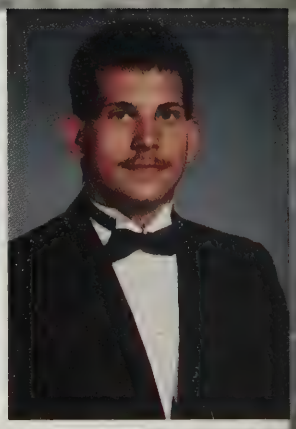
Bryan Keith Blankenship



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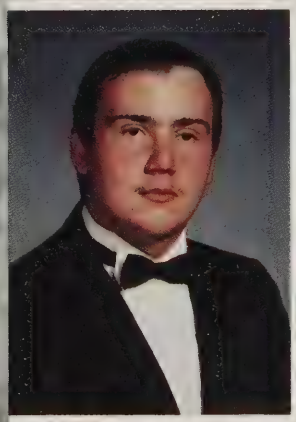
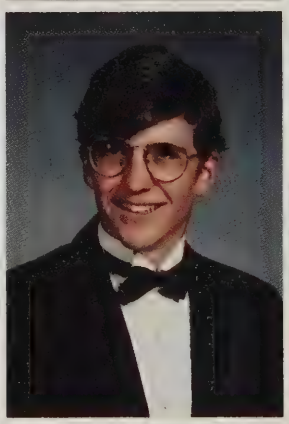
Timothy Shane Bramblett
Marilyn Dawn Butler





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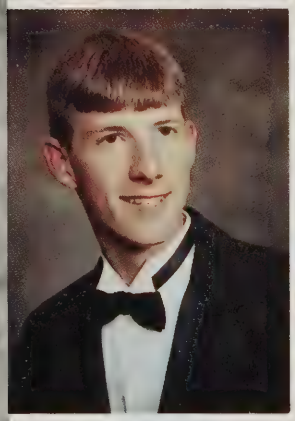
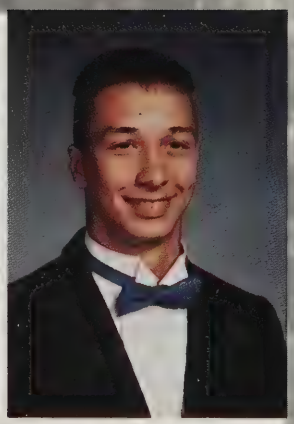


Kimberly Dawn Collins
Tina Danielle Collins
Mary Mae Conley
Rachael Dawn Conley

Class of 1996



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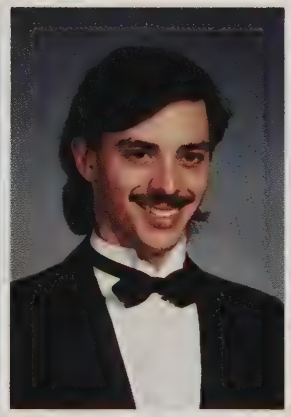
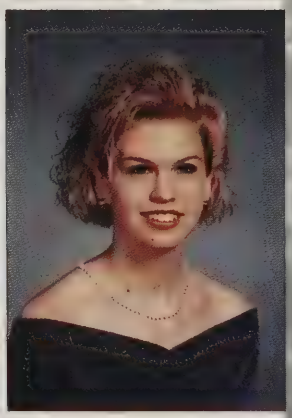
Charles Jerod Dalton





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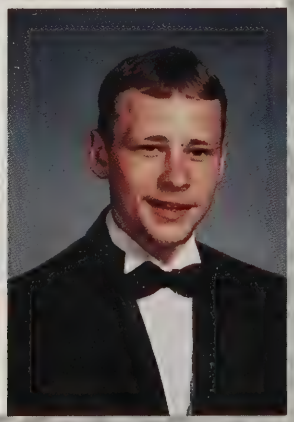

Trisha Harris Falls
Becky Joy Fenstermaker
Erin Renee Fisher
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Seniors Say

Farewell

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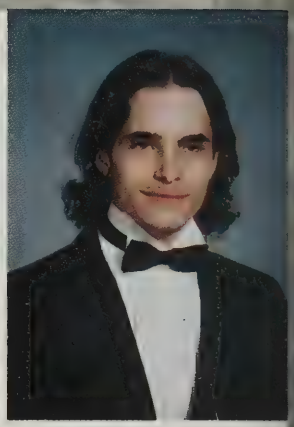

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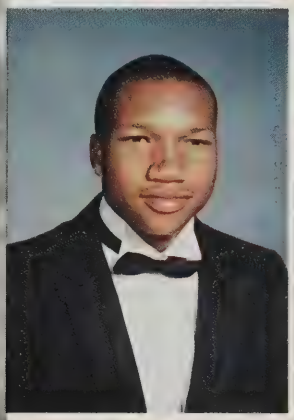

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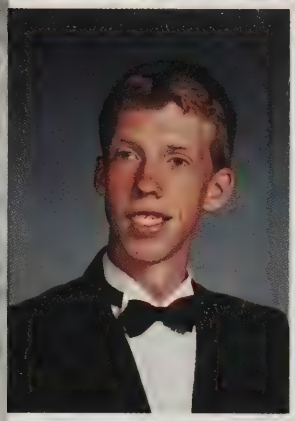

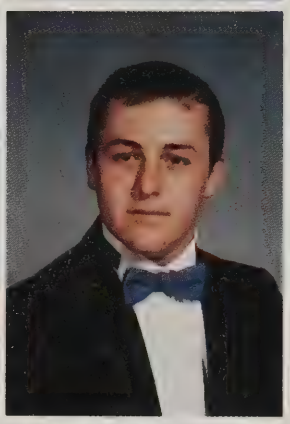

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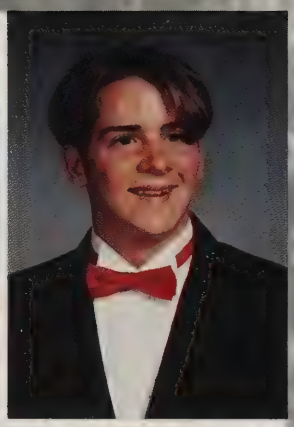

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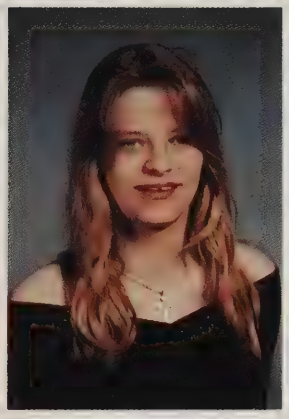
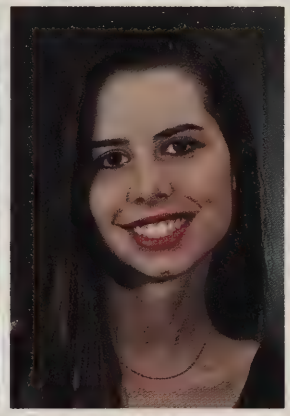

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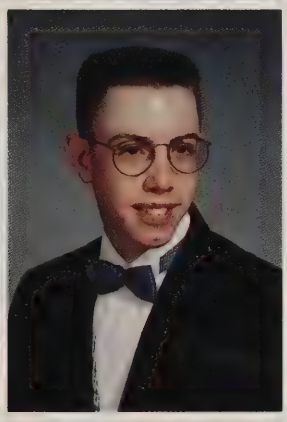

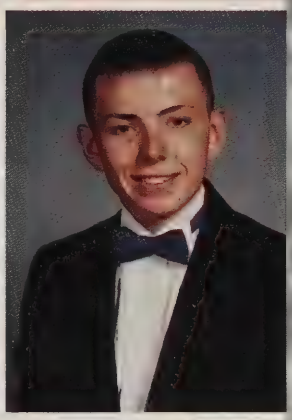

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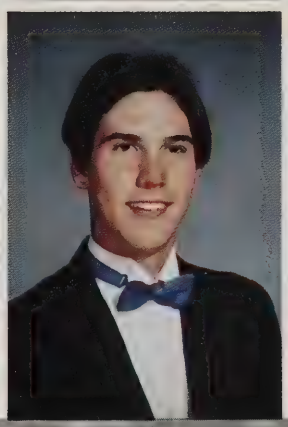
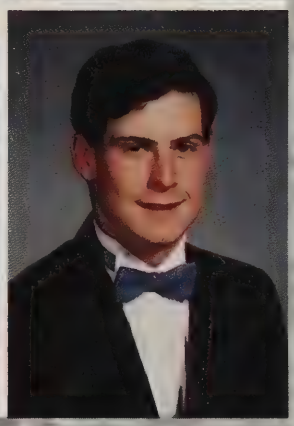

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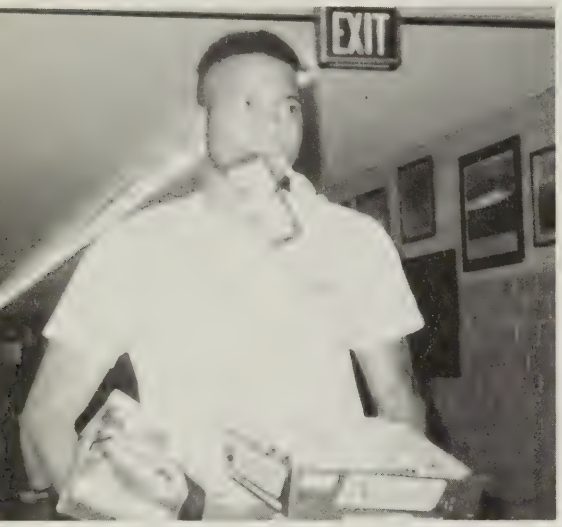
Candy . . . Tony Peoples makes himself sweeter during his free time.



Matt Sarver collects plastic bottles during his free time.

Seniors spend their free time at Pizza Hut after school.

Free time for Seniors.

"Free time? What is free time . . .? Football and baseball practice." Jimmy Smith

David Dufault climbs the flag pole during his free time between classes.

Aaron Myers and Donald Whittaker struggle to determine a winner.

Many Seniors play barnyard during their free time at school.

Jessica Higginbotham and Billie Jean Kirk pillow fight during their free time. Copy and layout by Billie Jean Kirk.

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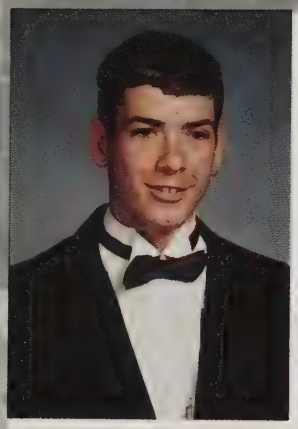
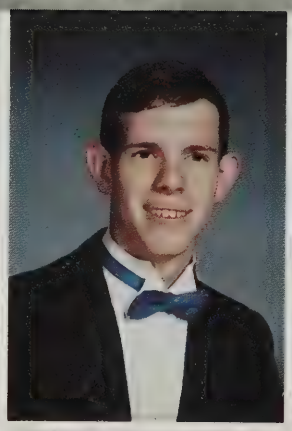
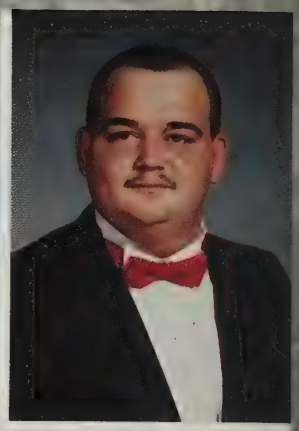
Michael Edward Mertz
Allen Wade Midkiff



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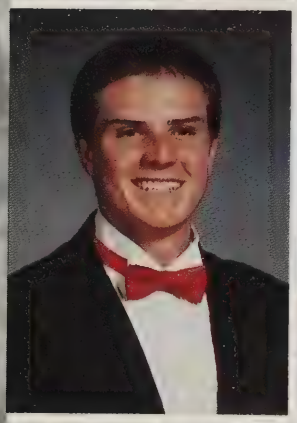

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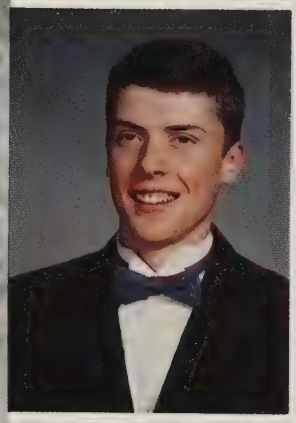

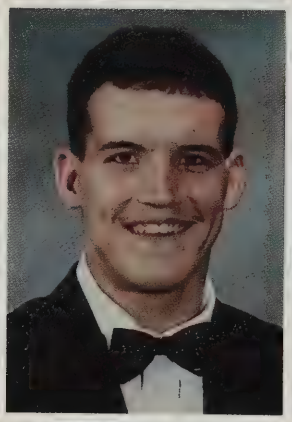
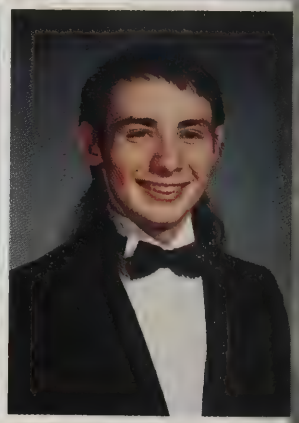

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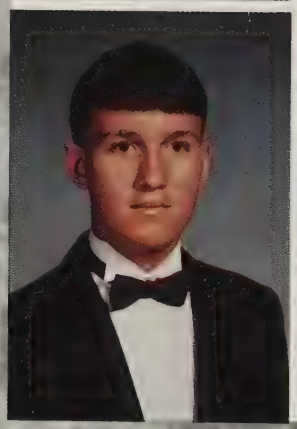
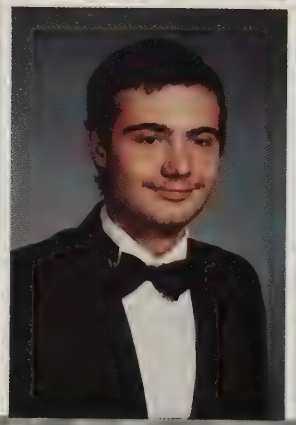
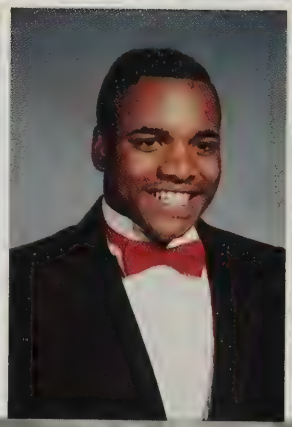
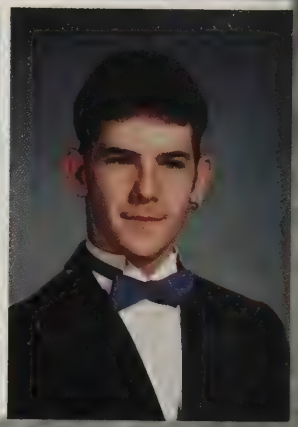

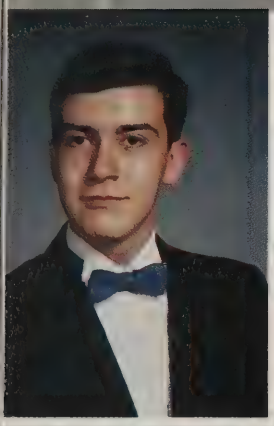
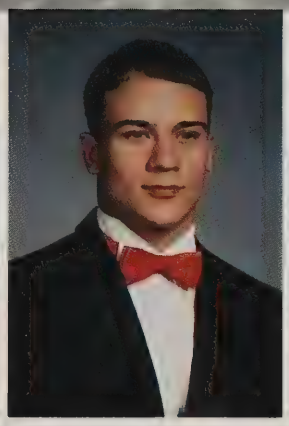

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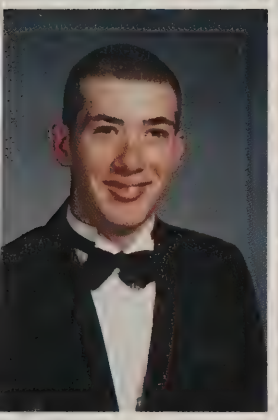

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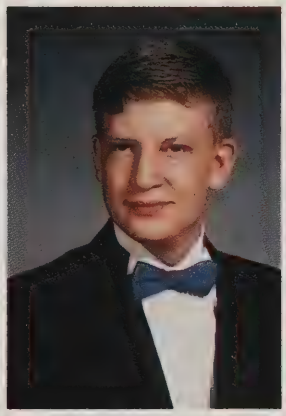
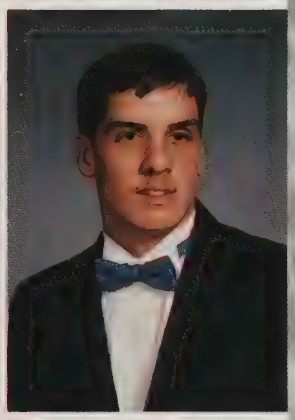

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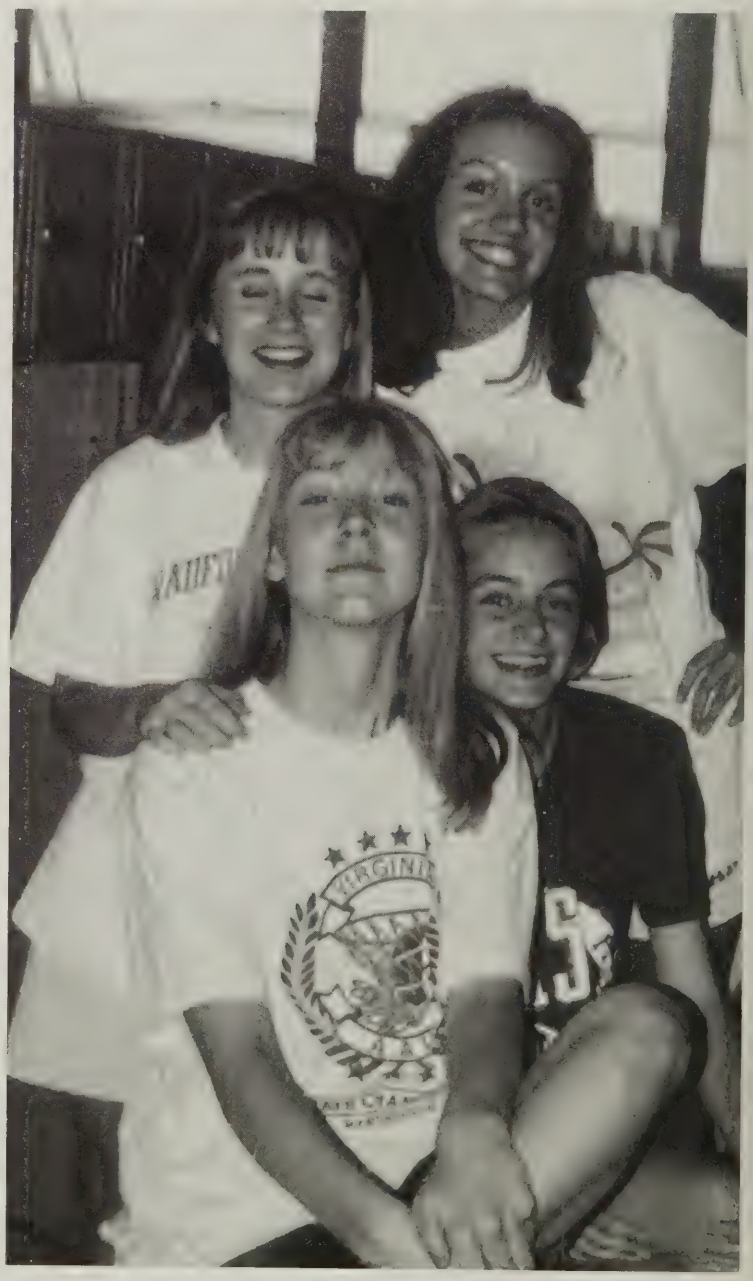
Matthew Eric Sarver
Wesley Paul Sartin

Stephanie Autumn Saunders
Jason Vincent Scott
Sheila Diane Sexton
Bobby Allen Sheets

Smile . . . Lashawnda Dickerson, Tina Collins, and Billie Jean Kirk remember Homecoming night.

The seniors' float entitled "Welcome To Heaven — No Demons Allowed," displayed lots of spirit while riding through Main street.

Gee, how sweet! . . . Becky Fenstermaker and Scott Caldwell remember the importance of sharing.



All smiles . . . Lora Robertson, Kendra Blevins, Gina Claytor, and Keeli Whetzel remember the quality of old friends.

Seniors Remember What Matters.

We have cried, laughed, and for a brief moment in time, touched. Although time may take a toll on the heart and mind, the memories will linger forever.

Tony Peoples, Angela Taylor, Kelly Clark, Lashawnda Dickerson and David Dufault remember fun times between classes.

Boyfriends come and go, but good friends last forever.

Neal Mustard and Jimmy Smith can look back on a morning run in a neighborhood in St. Vincent. Photos and copy by Billie Jean Kirk.

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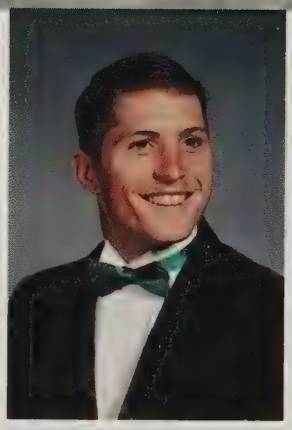
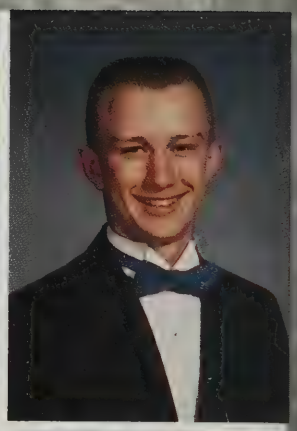

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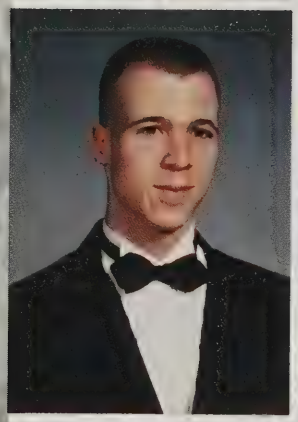

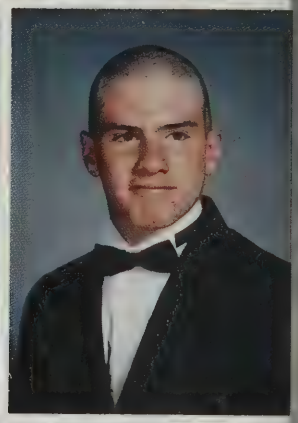

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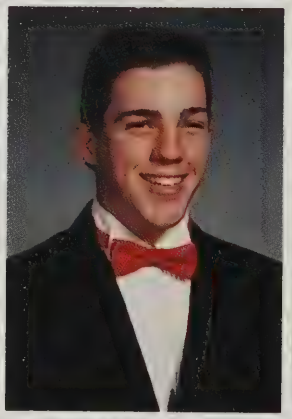

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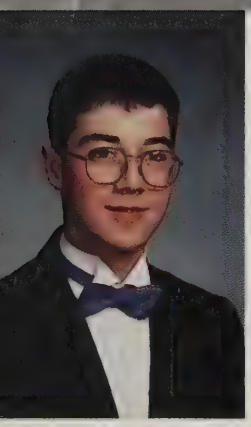
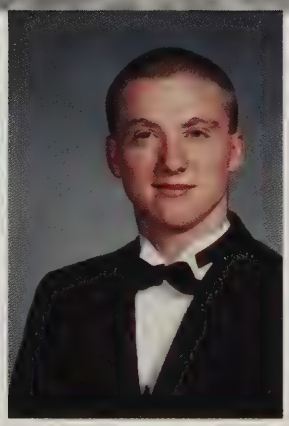

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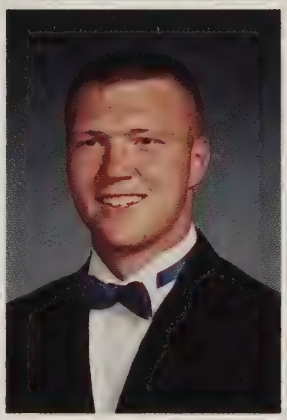
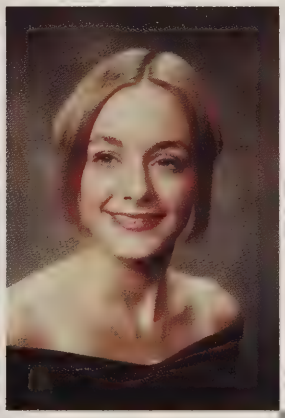
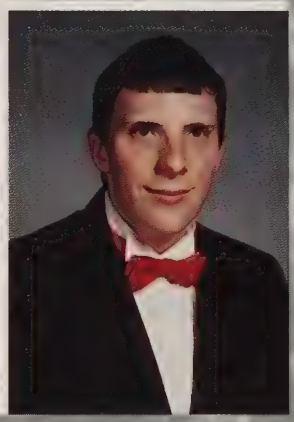

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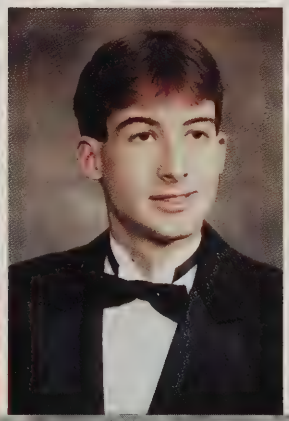

Laura Elizabeth Williams
Joshua Neal Wimmer
Robert Lee Wimmer

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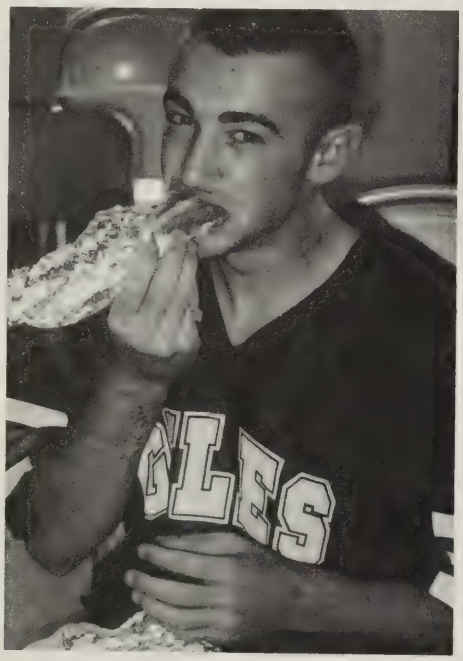
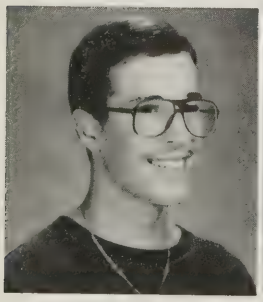
Spelling out "success"? Juniors Jenny Burn, Nichole Jones, Cherad Woodyard, Jason Porterfield, Michele Johnston, Landon Cassidy, and Ben Brown attempt to spell out JUNIORS on the new "benches" in the alcove.



"Dog-gone, are you gonna eat ALL those?" Michael "Ray" Perdue downs as many leftover hotdogs as he can during class one Friday.

Say cheese: Sandra Ratcliff, Shannon Bohn, Megan Noble, Adam Jeffers, Kelly Eaton, Michele Johnston, and Adam Jones take a short break from choral ensemble practice to pose for a picture.



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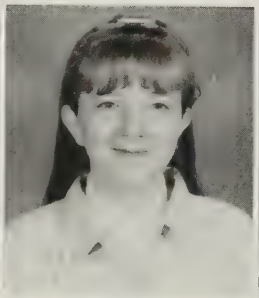

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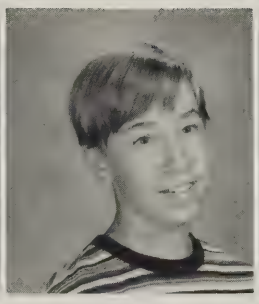
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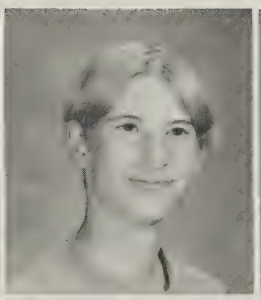
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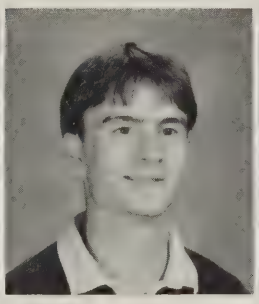
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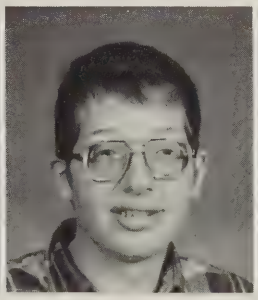
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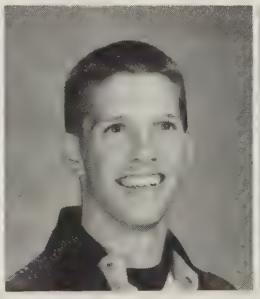
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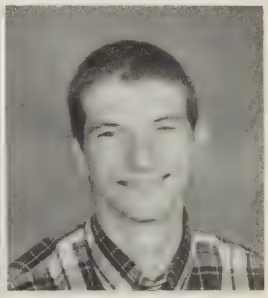
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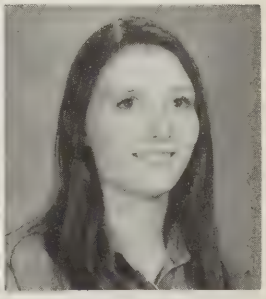
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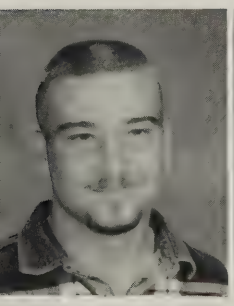
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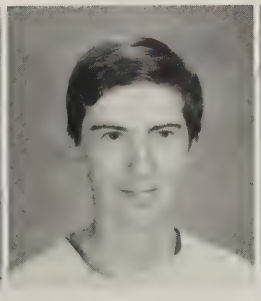
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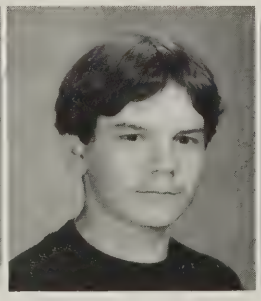
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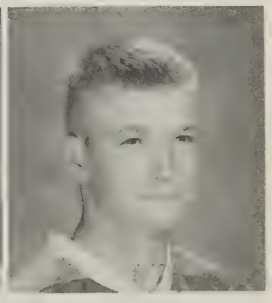
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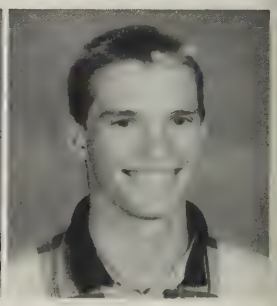
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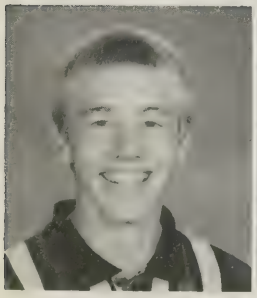
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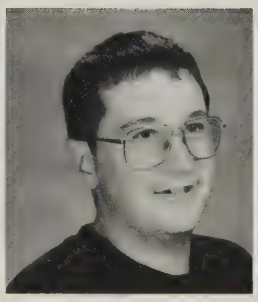
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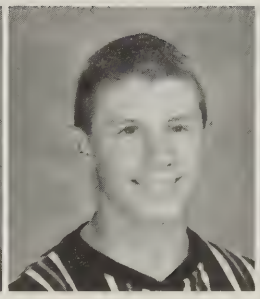
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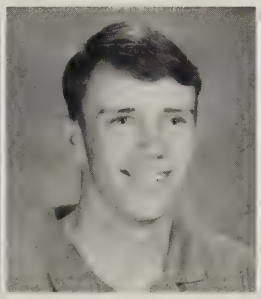
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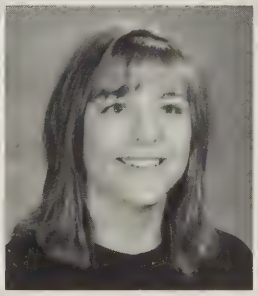
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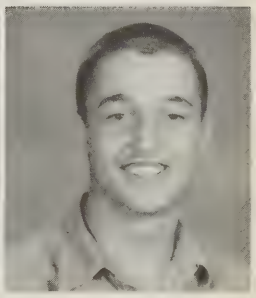
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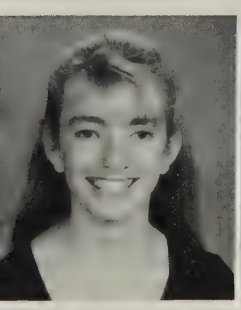
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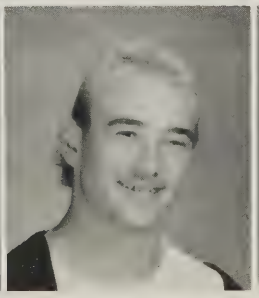
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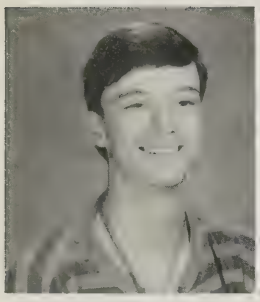
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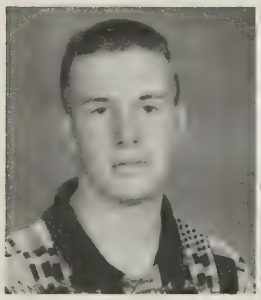
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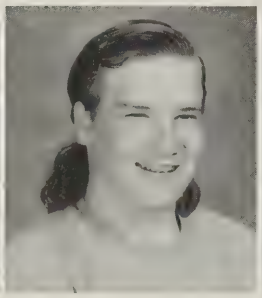
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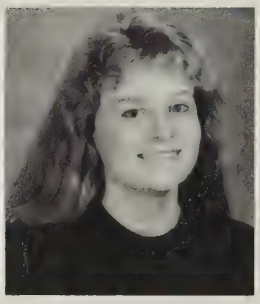
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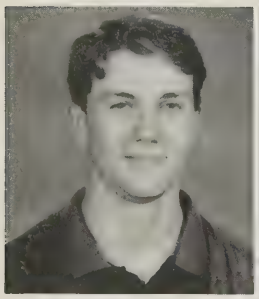
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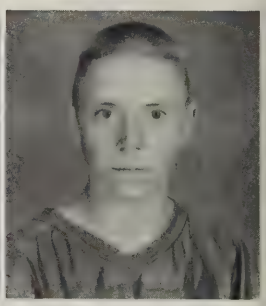
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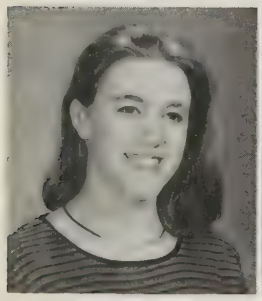
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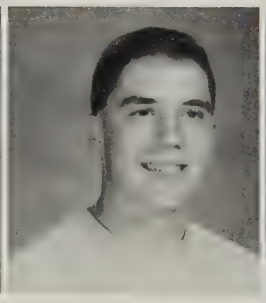
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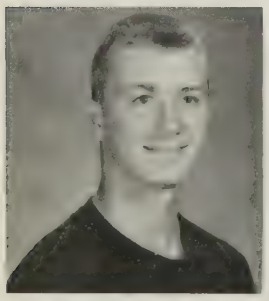
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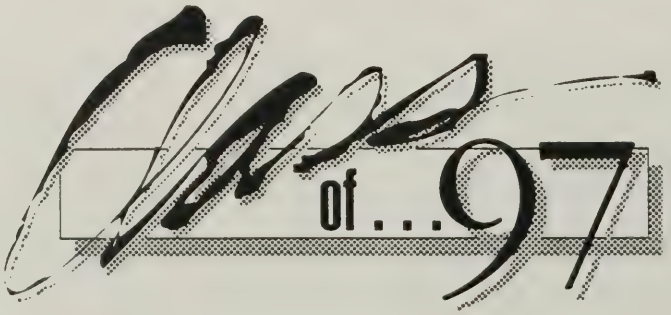
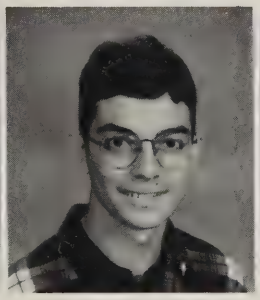


Sophomores

These cute, young Rockettes are reaching for the stars together as best friends! Kelly Myers, Sarah Lucas, Keeley Athey & Leslie Williams are dressed to dance in a recital when they were in fourth grade.

Tiffany Bowman and Amanda Grogan stop to have their picture taken during lunch. You can usually find Tiffany running cross country and Amanda is found hanging out with friends.

Eric Akers



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Keeley Athey

Jeffery Atkins

Heather Austin

Misty Bennett

Alexis Berry

Carrie Blankenship

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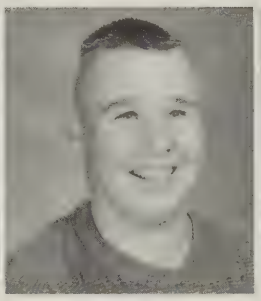
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Jon Fullen

Jeremy Fuller

Stephanie Godwin

Amanda Grogan

Autumn Groves

P.J. Hamblin

Heather Harry

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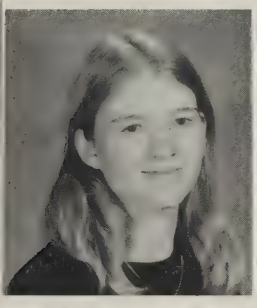
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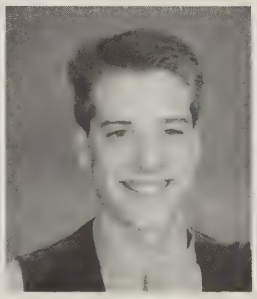
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Richard Lucas

Sarah Lucas

Melissa Marion

Jessica Marshall

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Troy Martin

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Amanda Meredith

April Meredith

Ben Miller

Sheri Miller

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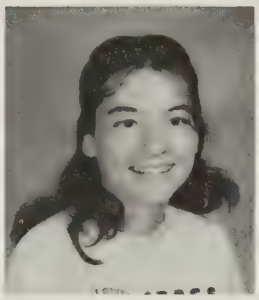
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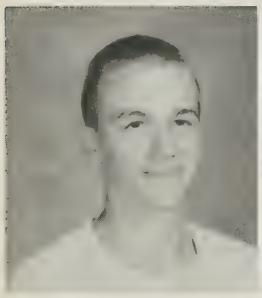
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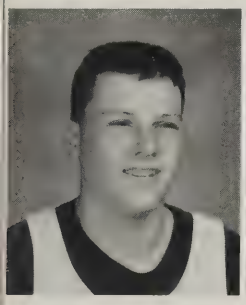
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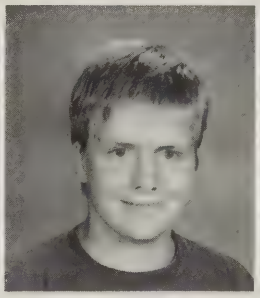
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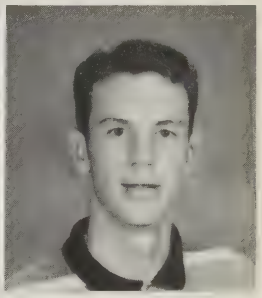
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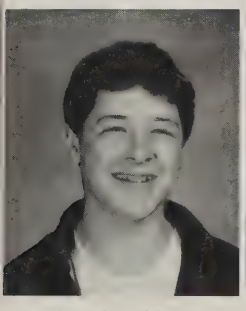
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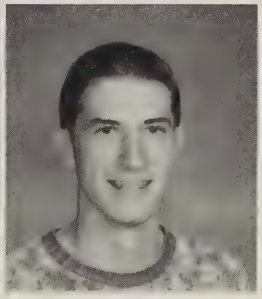
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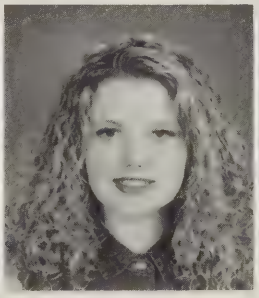
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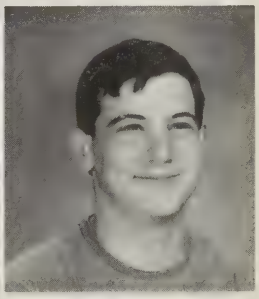
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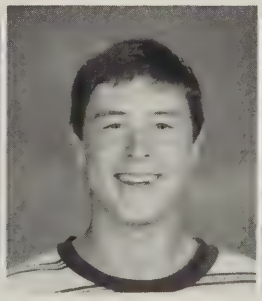
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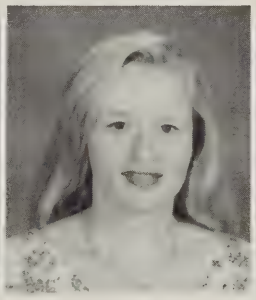
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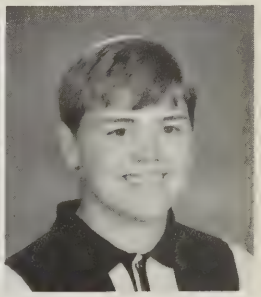
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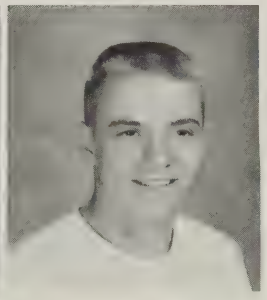
Derek Wilson

Brianna Robinson 11th

Eighth Grade: A Whole New Experience

Mary Alice Muncy and Nicole Shepard show that being an eighth grader isn't all that bad. At least not as bad as the food.

Melissa Gusler, Brandy Gautier, and Desiree Warner have discovered early that lunch is for doing homework and eating ice cream.

Victoria Abernathy

Brad Baker

Rocky Baker

Brian Barr

Clint Batson

Wesley Beckner

Jason Belcher

Andrew Bowden

Eric Burton

Dusty Carbaugh

Timothy Carbaugh

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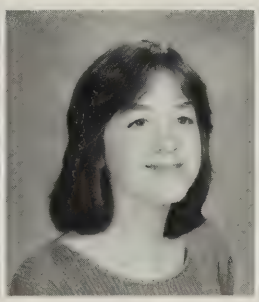
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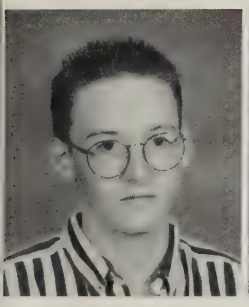
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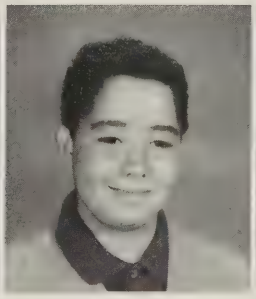
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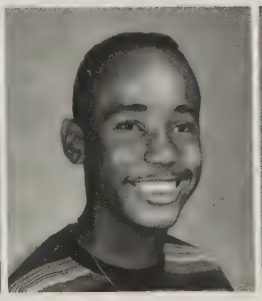
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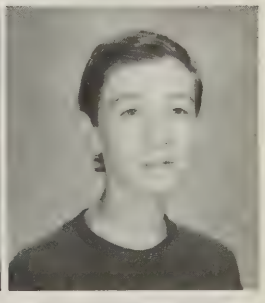
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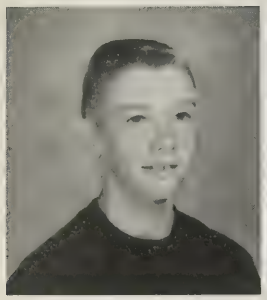
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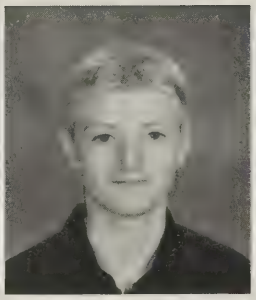
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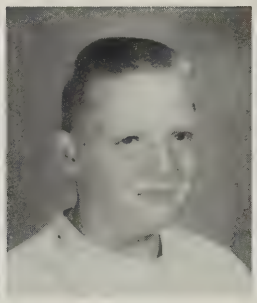
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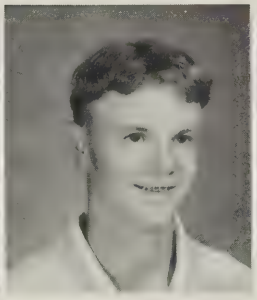
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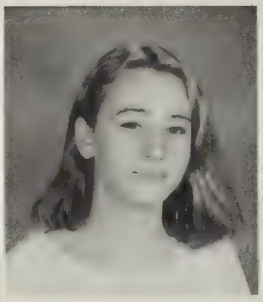
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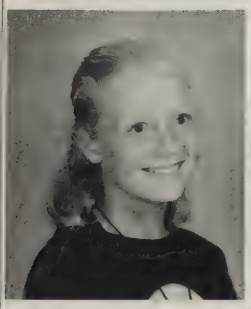
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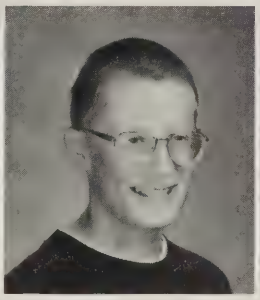
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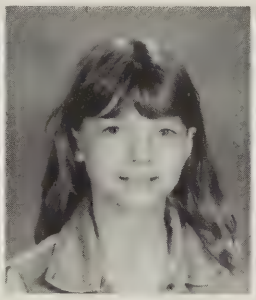
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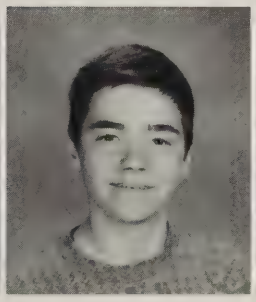
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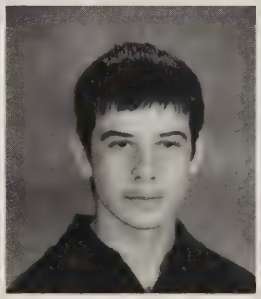
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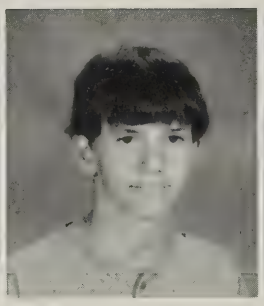
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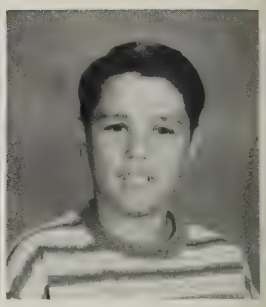
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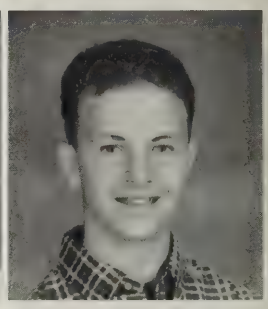
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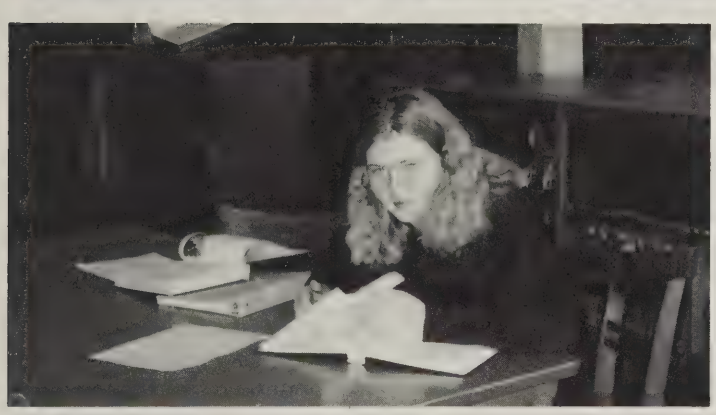

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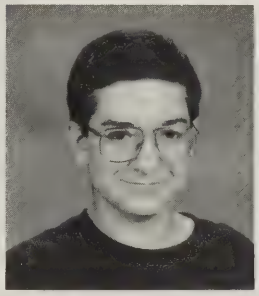
The look on Marsha Wynn's face shows that doing research is definitely *not* her idea of fun.



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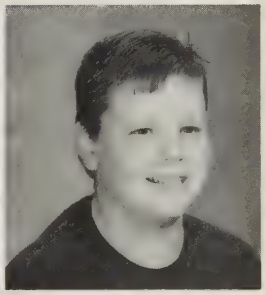

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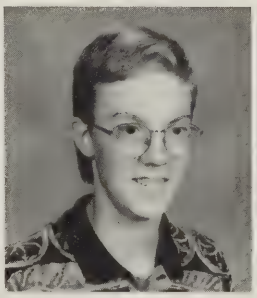

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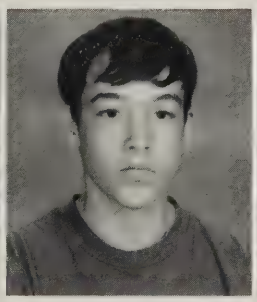

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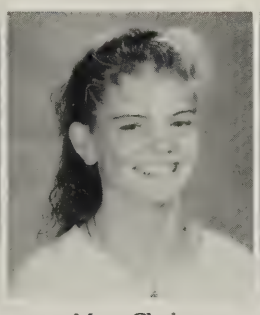

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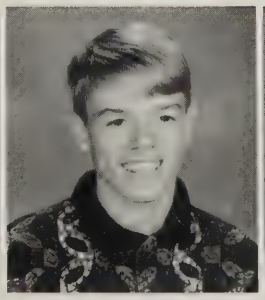

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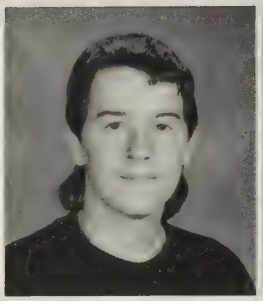
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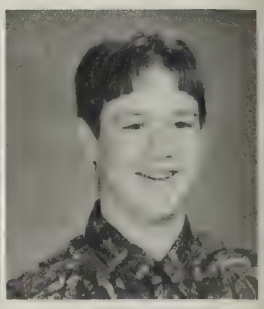
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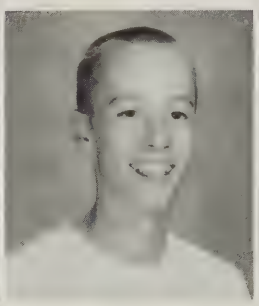
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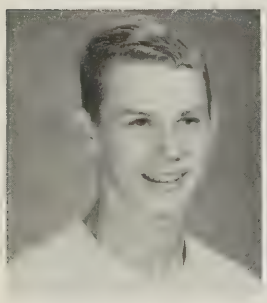
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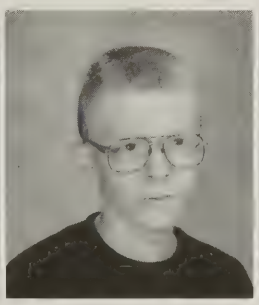
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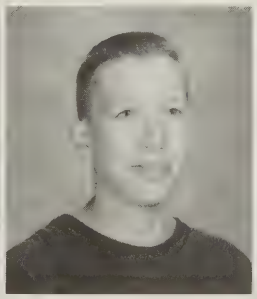
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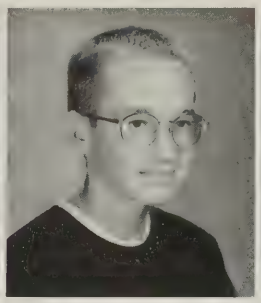
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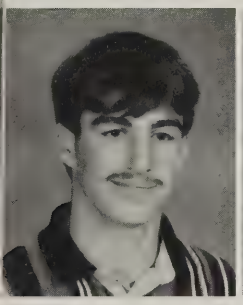
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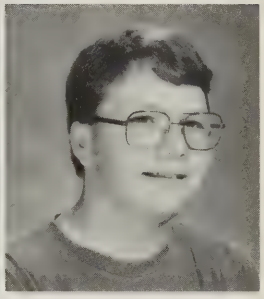
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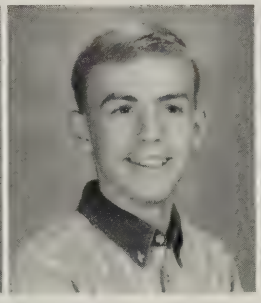
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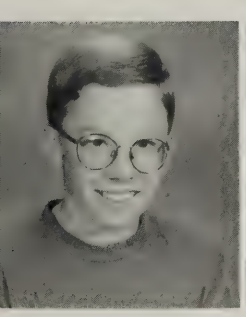
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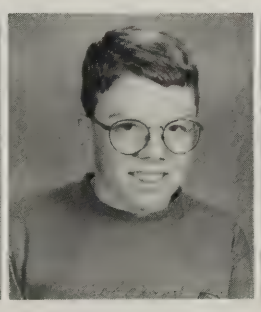
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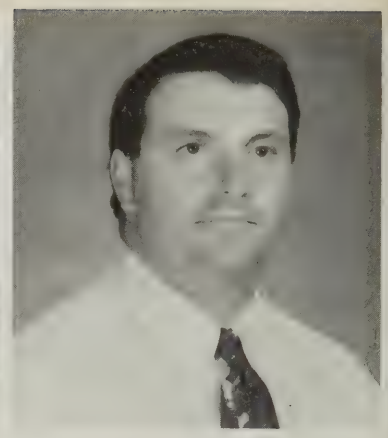

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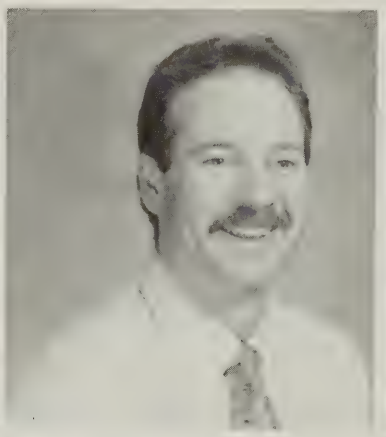

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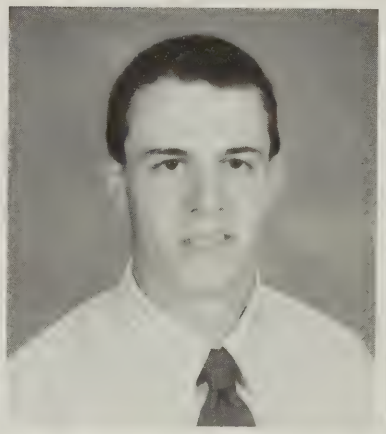

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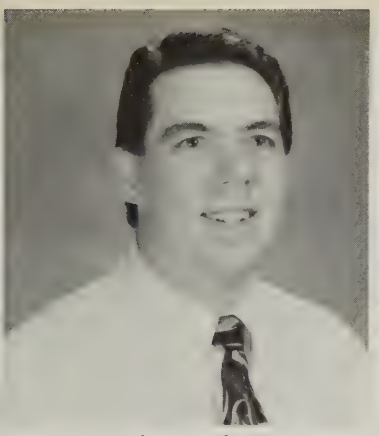
LET'S DO LUNCH with the Cafeteria Staff: (left to right) Margaret Smith, Martha Davidson, Birtha Meade, Beula Williams, Gale Davis, Ruth Fisher, Jane Neice, and Clara Robertson.

AFTER SCHOOL HOURS with the custodians Larry Hardy and Debbie Hilton.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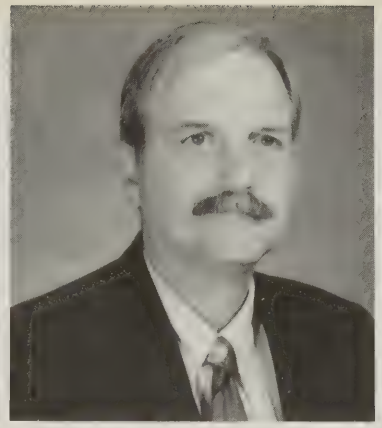
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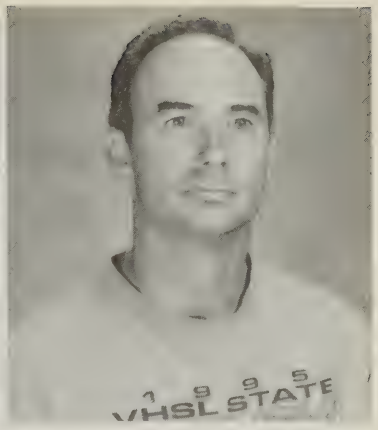

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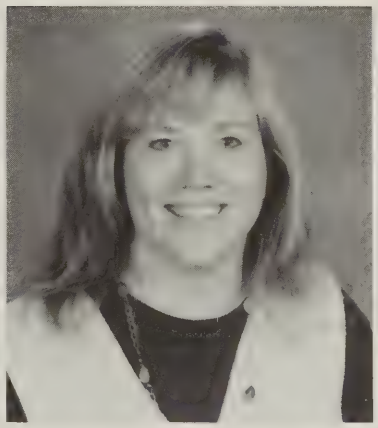
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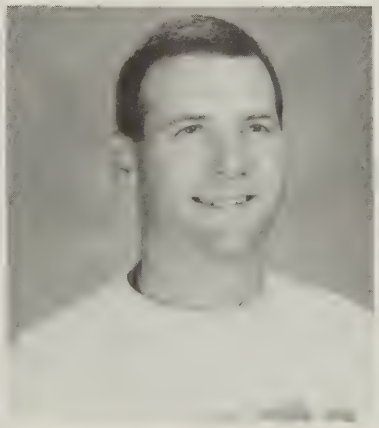
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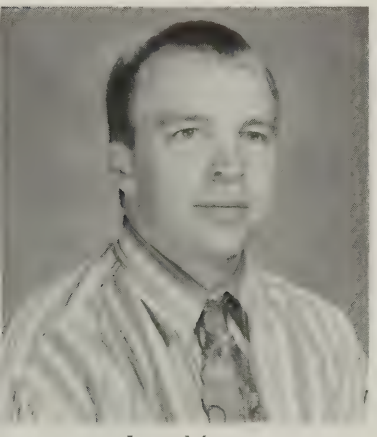
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TEACHING
What Matters

The thick morning silence fills the halls of the empty school, interrupted only by the gentle hum of the soda machine. In a corner a dim light is seen through the small crack of the door, where the custodians finish preparing for the coming day.

Soon teachers arrive loaded down with papers and books. Some struggle to open the doors of their classrooms without dropping their bundles. Once everything is in order, they chat with each other or simply enjoy the silence. Another day begins, and the teachers focus on what really matters — making a difference in a student's life.

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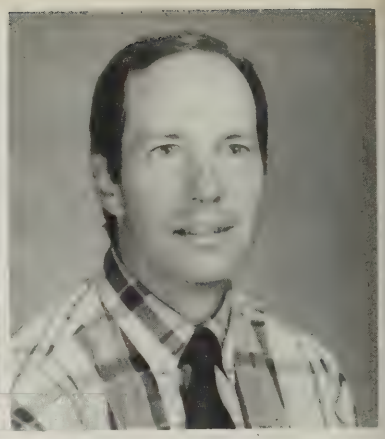

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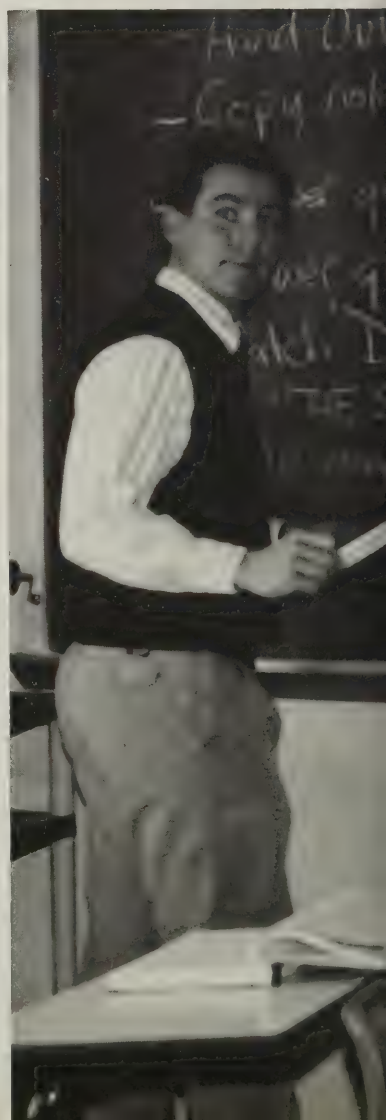
Neil Schmidt

Liz Shaver

TAKE A LOOK AT THIS! Mr. Frazier consults Mrs. McGraw about the rules and regulations of the "Voice of Democracy Essay Contest."

DO YOU MIND? Psychology teacher Mr. Howlett is caught by surprise while writing the class objectives on the board.



There comes that mysterious meeting in life when someone acknowledges who we are and what we are and what we can be, igniting the circuits of our highest potential.

— Rusty Berkus

Martha Snidow

Bryan Strader

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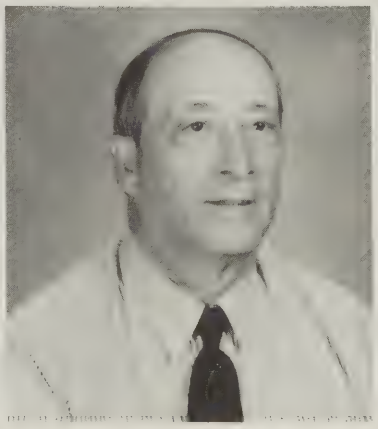

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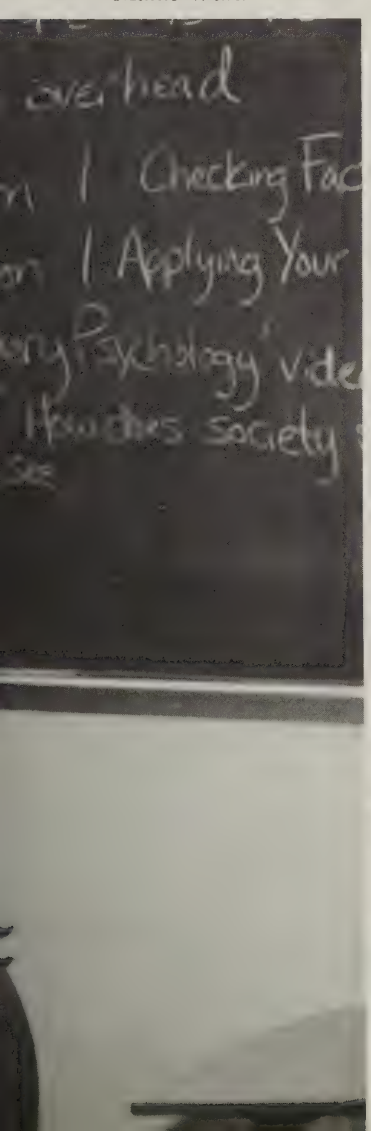


Steve Wilson

Karen Yolton

AFTER A BUSY DAY, Mrs. Holton and Mrs. Greene celebrate the end of another successful day of school.

LET ME CHECK MY SCHEDULE: Mrs. Hubbard writes down upcoming events. The secretarial staff must follow a hectic schedule.

Dedication

CHEERS! Cecilia McFaden shares a special toast with mother, Jo Ann Davidson.

FOOTBALL STAR MCFADEN' Kent, her son, proudly flaunts his football uniform.

Mrs. Cecilia McFaden

"Businesswoman in [illegible]sroom" can best [illegible]ribe this person. [illegible] are not [illegible] that [illegible] her [illegible] lacks [illegible] loads [illegible]. This year, [illegible]arbook Staff [illegible]ates the 1996 [illegible]d to *Mrs. Cecilia McFaden*. She's a teacher, mother, editor, spokeswoman, organizer, supplier, and the one who makes this memorabilia possible.

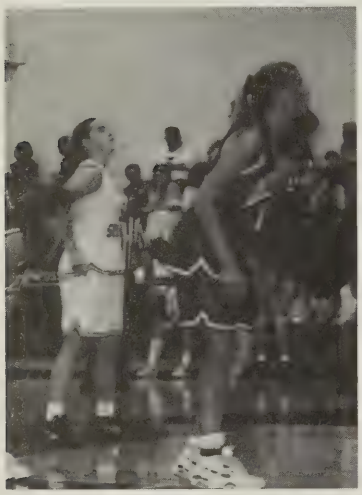
— Shannon Bohn

Remember the Classes

GO SPARTANS!
Loyal girls' basketball fans watch intently as their team prepares to do battle with the opposing team. The Lady Spartans provided many exciting moments for their fans.

OVER HERE!
Seniors Keli Ratchiffe and Gina Clayton attempt to get open on an inbounds play. These girls were two of the five graduating seniors. The seniors leaving will be sorely missed.

CONCENTRATION!
Keli Ratcliffe prepares to shoot her foul shots during the last home game of the season. The "95" season for the Spartans was a learning experience.



TRAFFIC JAM!
Players from both teams wrestle for possession of the ball. This intensity was shown in every game by the Spartans. They possessed a hard fighting mentality.

HARD WORK!
Senior Billie Jean Kirk takes a moment's breather between plays during a hard fought game against Christiansburg.

FAST BREAK!
Junior Lori Talbert drives the ball down court while Keli follows the play up.

GETTING IT RIGHT!
As the game comes down to the wire, the team huddles around Coach Howlett to discuss the game plan.

A Season of Learning.

The 1995 Girls Basketball season was a learning experience. It consisted of some wins and some losses, but every game was full of memories.

To complement the five talented returning seniors, nine new juniors and one sophomore were added. This chemistry provided for a team full of talent and potential.

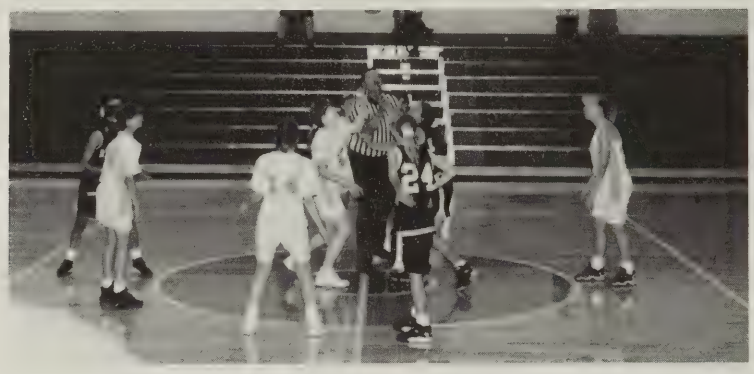
"The dedication, leadership, and fun that made up the "95" Lady Spartan basketball season, will be one of the most memorable times of my life," said senior Keeli Whetzel. These qualities were evident in the team's play and sportsmanship.

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL
Front: Lori Talbert, Dawn St.Clair, Amy Wilson, Sue Wilson, Whitney Matlock, Keeli Whetzel, Wendy Snidow, manager Deanna Martin. Back: Avrial Athey, Melissa Cumbee, Keli Ratcliffe, Gina Claytor, Kristen White, Jennifer Brotherton, Jodi Mullins, Billie Jean Kirk, Assistant Coach: Tammy Brown, Head Coach John Howlett.

Basketball

	Us	Them
Narrows	38	49
Rocky Gap	36	32
Ft. Chiswell	66	63
Bland	66	26
Rocky Gap	52	48
Narrows	49	61
Bland	58	31
Ft. Chiswell	72	79
Craig	54	29
Auburn	61	82
Radford	27	41
Shawsville	67	70
Floyd	46	93
Craig	46	30
Christiansburg	25	32
Auburn	41	52
Radford	43	52
Shawsville	47	58
Floyd	30	68
Christiansburg	34	51
Auburn	55	65

JV Girls Basketball



Eighth grader Amy Merrix is ready to win the ball for her team as she gets into position for jump ball.

	Us	Them
Narrows	19	33
Rocky Gap	13	42
Ft. Chiswell	28	27
Bland	35	37
Rocky Gap	21	38
Narrows	30	40
Bland	26	25
Ft. Chiswell	40	22
Craig	37	27
Auburn	25	60
Radford	14	19
Shawsville	14	23
Floyd	22	50
Craig	39	16
Christiansburg	18	42
Auburn	28	42
Radford	47	33
Shawsville	22	31
Floyd	29	55
Christiansburg	28	37

Eighth Grade Girls B'ball

Scores

	Us	Them
Narrows	32	34
Blacksburg	4	63
Narrows	18	33
Fort Chiswell	12	44
Christiansburg	8	33
Auburn	4	42
Radford	24	34
Shawsville	31	30
Floyd	14	37
Blacksburg	5	55
Christiansburg	21	39
Auburn	18	22
Radford	16	36
Shawsville	11	23
Floyd	15	28

Kneeling: Crystal Perdue, Teri Mays, Sara Ege, Morgan Conley, and Amelia Tuckwiller. Standing: Coach Bill Munsey, Amanda Jones, Michelle Chidester, Danielle Kerr, Amy Merrix, Amanda Trenar, and manager Patti Talbert. Not pictured, Melissa Gusler.

Let's Go Team! The eighth grade basketball players get a pep talk from their coach, Mr. Bill Munsey, during a time out.

Sophomore Heather Harry concentrates as she gets ready to shoot her foul shots.

The JV girls gather into a huddle as Coach Tammy Brown goes over some plays as they get ready to play the Christiansburg Demons.

Freshman Rachel Mann practices before the game by doing a lay up.

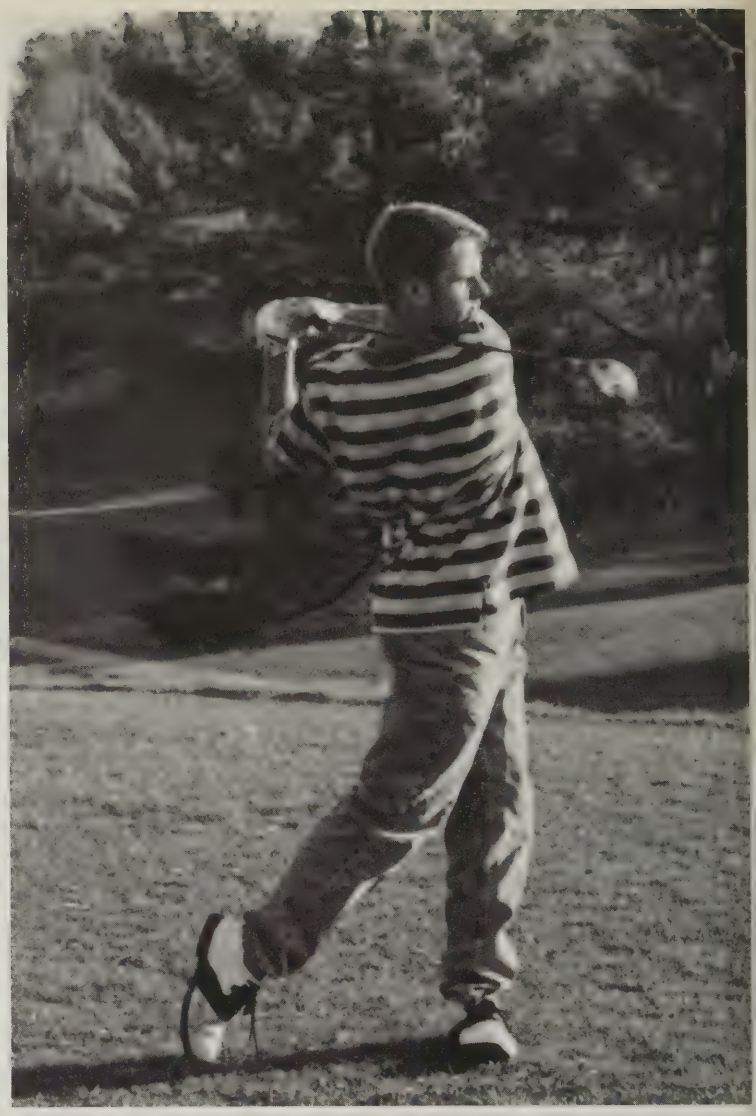
The JV players show their good sportsmanship as they shake hands with the opposing team after the game.

Sarah Ege gets ready to score for her team as she shoots her foul shots.

Kneeling: Sherri Miller, Tara Brown, Patricia White, Lori Douthat, Nicole Shepherd, Candy Manning, Rachel Williams, and manager Amanda Meredith. Standing: Coach Tammy Brown, Kerri Cooper, Rachel Mann, Betsy DeBord, Amaris Patterson, Erin Williams, Heather Harry, Stephanie Jones, Donna Medley and Coach John Howlett.

With hopes of making this final putt, Junior Jason Jennelle puts a lot of time and concentration into a crucial putt at one of his matches.

Check out that form!! Co-captain and senior Andrew Wagner kills a drive down the middle of the fairway during practice.



Remembering the Victories

CHAMPIONS

First in the district, second in the region, and third in the state — these are the scores of the Giles High School golf team — a championship golf team.

Every morning, rain or shine, seven young men and their coach, Bob Wilburn, would head over to the Castle Rock Golf Course to begin their practice. They would practice from early in the morning until around twelve o'clock in the afternoon, ignoring the blisters that sometimes developed on their hands. It is this type of determination that takes a team to the state tournament, and the Giles Golf team understands that as well as any other team at Giles High School.

Yet this year was different from those in the past. It wasn't just one person carrying the team on their shoulders. The team had several players who alternated being the gold medalist of a particular match, two of which were the captains of the golf team — Andrew Wagner, who placed first in districts, and David McCall. They were big rivals, but there were never any hard feelings between either of them. "We are like brothers," Andrew Wagner told a reporter from the Roanoke Times.

Though they may not receive as much credit as some of the sports here at Giles High School, they deserve it. Mr. Wilburn was very proud of all of his boys, as he well should be.

Taking time out. Seniors Andrew Wagner and David McCall discuss their strategy for the next hole.

Chipping it in. Senior and Co-captain David McCall practices a few approach shots at practice.

Quiet Please!! Eighth grader Seth McCracken takes his stance as he prepares to sink a crucial putt during a match against Grayson.

In for par. Eighth grader Russ Johnston sinks one in during the tournament against Grayson.

The Results

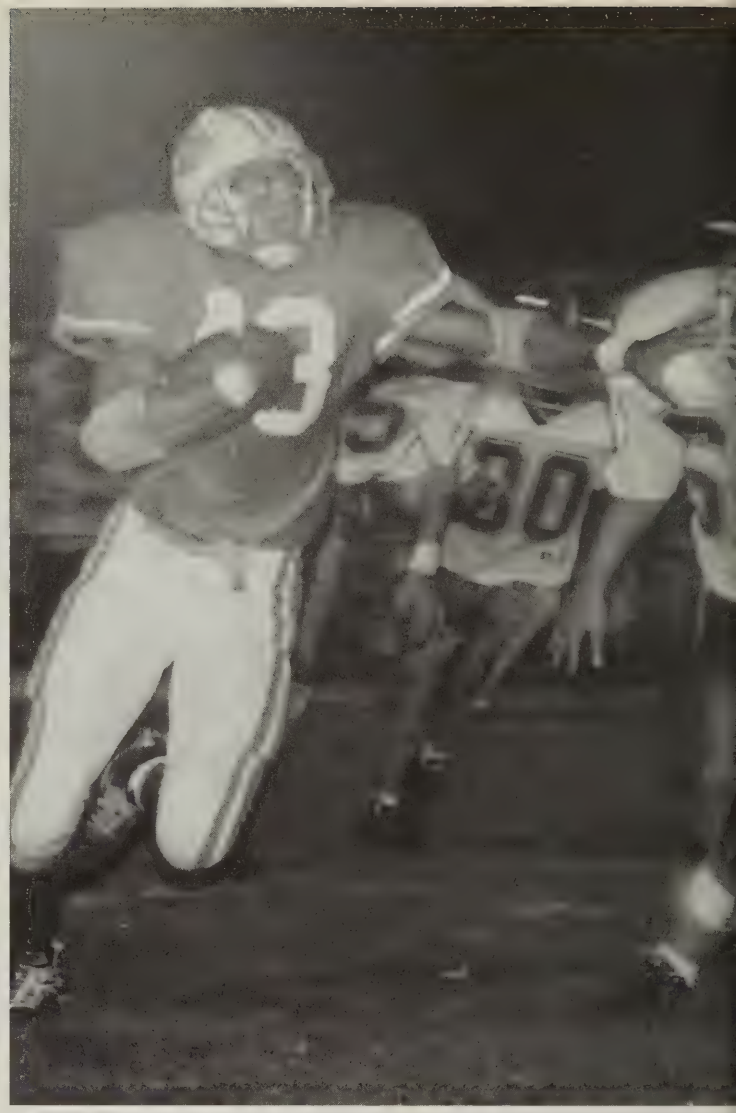
Opponent	*Place*
Narrows	2nd
Shawsville	
Christiansburg	1st
Radford	1st
Shawsville	1st
Floyd	1st
Floyd	1st
Carroll County	1st
Blacksburg	1st
Carroll County	
Galax & Shawsville	1st
Radford	1st
T.R. DISTRICT	1st
REGION C	2nd
STATE	3rd

Wins	Losses
27	5

Front: Co-captain David McCall, Jason Jennelle, Co-captain Andrew Wagner. Back: Casey Clark, Coach Bob Wilburn, and Clay Davis.

ON THE MOVE
On the verge of exhaustion, junior Micheal Perdue makes a move to shake the last defender on his way to a touchdown.

PUSHING AHEAD
Senior tailback Reggie Hoston pushes past a Narrows defender while senior Brandon Steele moves in to make a block in the 63-0 victory over the Green Wave.



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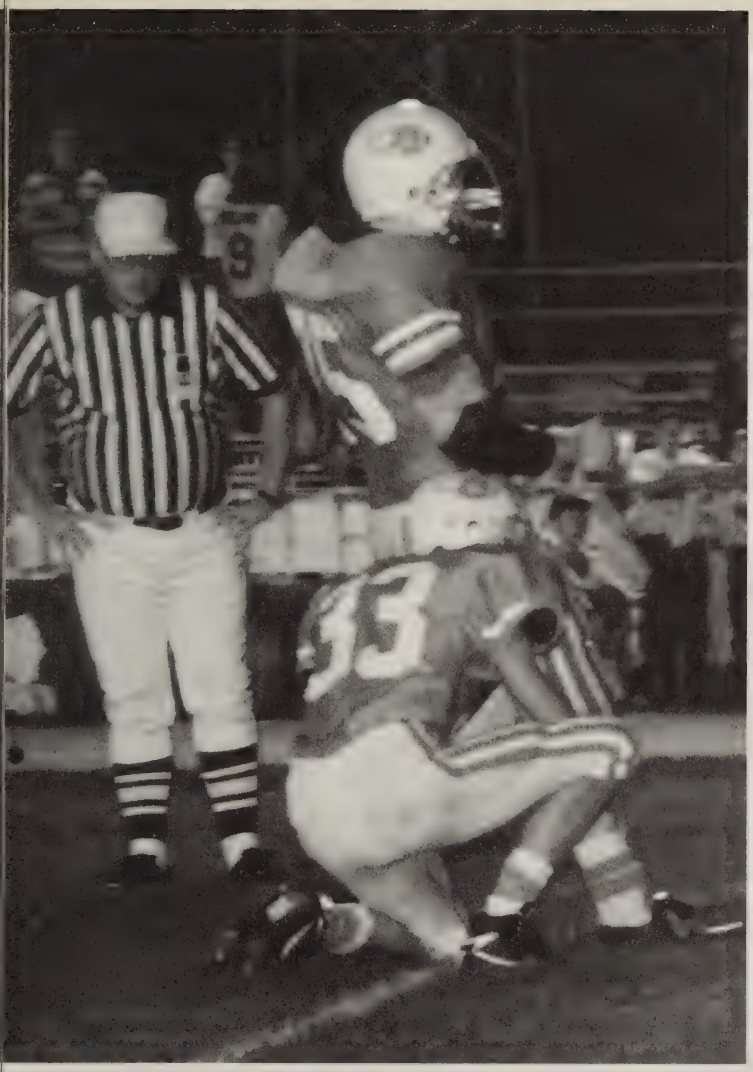
ATTITUDE

Yes, folks, the Single Wing was successful once again this season. With the outstanding coaching tactics of Steve Ragsdale, the Spartans were unstoppable. For the past four seasons the Spartans have been on top, winning one state championship and going to the playoffs two times. This season was no different. The Spartans had a 9-1 regular season record and went all the way to the state semifinals, losing to Powell Valley.

ENJOYING THE GAME
Seniors Marty Midkiff, Reggi Hoston, and Kevin Slusser enjoy th game after they build up a substantia lead against their opponents.



GOING FOR TWO
Holder Chris Hutchison and kicker Jeremy Saunders go for a field goal. Jeremy played an important part in the success of the football team.

LETTING IT FLY
Senior Kevin Slusser throws a long pass as a Bland defender tries to tackle him. The whole game was played in a cold, wet rainy mess.

VICTORY CELEBRATION
The Spartan football team celebrates after a hard earned win. The Spartans were 11-2 overall going to the state semifinals.

Final Marks

	Us	Them
Blacksburg	18	14
Floyd	38	10
Narrows	63	0
Auburn	51	24
Christiansburg	35	6
Radford	37	0
Bland	46	8
James Monroe	6	7
Grayson Co.	53	16
Shawsville	44	15
Radford	20	7
Lebanon	35	14
Powell Valley	6	28

WINS
11
LOSSES
2

Spartan Football Team
First row: Scott Sparks, Phillip Hilton, Michael Lucas, Timmy Sanders, Josh Jennelle, Andy Johnston, Derek Wilson, B.J. Smith, Chad Price, Billy Burton, Scott Moye, Billy Clark, Matt Whitehead, Michael Giles, Micah Steele, and manager Zack Collins. Second row: Timmy Sutphin, Trent Shorter, Ron Perdue, Jason Tickle, Adam Jeffers, Zeb Bowden, Ben Miller, Reggie Stephens, Michael Stafford, Derrick Lang, Brandon Williams, Richard Lucas, Derek Hare, Jeff Dickerson, Shawn Snyder, and Donald Williams. Third row: Coaches Steve Ragsdale, Jarrod Hines, and Rusty Kelly, Bret Nicholson, Scott Hetherington, Michael Perdue, Chris Bales, Jimmy Smith, Tommy Workman, Kevin Slusser, Brandon Steele, Chris Ruth, Brian Lambert, Travis Price, Shaun Wimmer, Coaches Jack Ellison, Jerry Huffman, Bryan Strader, and Steve Wilson. Fourth row: Coach Ricky Lee, Anthony Myers, Aaron Myers, Zach Whitsett, B.J. Evans, Chris Hutchison, Neal Mustard, Marty Midkiff, Jerod Dalton, Alex Webb, Jeremy Saunders, Chris Ratcliffe, Reggie Hoston, Emanuel Young, and Roger Simpkins.

It's Can't All avoid Part hurtin' of the feeling Game

FIRST AND TEN
The 8th Grade offensive line advances the ball past the Fort Chiswell defense as they get near the endzone.

CAN'T CATCH ME
The Radford defense finds it hard to keep up with this mighty Spartan running back.

These J.V. defenders quickly stop the ball at the line of scrimmage. This was typical of both the 8th Grade and J.V. football teams, The J.V. team finished with 8 wins and 1 loss against Christiansburg. They also won the Three Rivers District for two straight years. The 8th Grade also had a good season finishing with 4 wins and 5 losses.

EADY TO RUMBLE
he 8th Grade team takes the field to
ght for another win.

Season Wrap-Up

8th Grade (4-5)

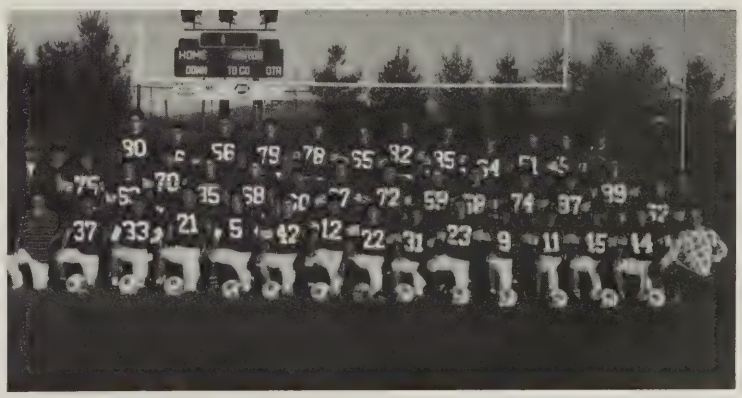
Pulaski	26	0
Christiansburg	22	18
Floyd	6	18
Carroll County	6	28
Blacksburg	34	22
Peterstown	8	28
Grayson	24	0
Radford	6	35
Dublin	6	20

JV (8-1)

Ft. Chiswell	30	22
Christiansburg	0	36
Carroll County	24	0
Floyd	38	8
Blacksburg	39	14
Greenbrier E.	20	16
James Monroe	36	14
Grayson	42	14
Radford	30	16

WORKING HARD
Sophomore Derek Wilson is working out during the week as preparation for the upcoming game on Thursday.

8th Grade Football
Front: Kevin Munsey, David Hobbs, Dimitriu Willis, Kelley Keffer, James Groves, Chris Perdue, Jason Link, Brad Baker. Middle: Coach Roe, Stephen Linkous, Josh Davis, Andy Bowden, Michael Dickerson, Rocky Baker, Gregory Chrupcala, Joey Ryder, Jason Green, Shawn Radford, Coach Strader, Coach Wilson. Back: Darren Law, David Kerr, Stephen Gilmer, Jason Niece, Justin Hilton, Daniel Stevers, Richard Hodge, Scott Hutchison, Michael Price, Eric Burton.



Junior Varsity Football
Front: Mgr. Jamie Noble, BJ Smith, Derek Wilson, Shaun Vaught, Micah Steele, Jonathon Bostic, Derek Lang, Andy Johnston, Scott Moye, Chad Price, Stosh Chrupcala, Billy Clark, Tim Hutchinson, Josh Williams, Philip Shepard. Middle: Coach Brown, Jody Spicer, Chris Stephens, Andre Sanders, Michael Stafford, Michael Lucas, Josh Kirk, Tim Sanders, Billy Burton, Reggie Stephens, Wes Jenelle, Daniel Johnson, Bobby Pauley, Lee Pyles, Joseph Fontaine, B.J. Dunford, Mgr. Jackson Johnson. Back: Zach Whitsett, Troy Martin, Richard Lucas, Jason Tickle, Ron Perdue, Ben Miller, Brandon Williams, Derek Hare, Tim Snyder, Jeffrey Dickerson, Josh Jennelle, Coach Ellison.

SAY CHEESE!
Patience St. Ledger, Tiffany Bowman, and Charity Peters take a break from practicing to have their picture taken.

OVERHEATING!
Jason Huffman attempts to cool off in mid-stride. Despite the high temperature, he placed third in this October 27th meet.

Cross Country

The girls' cross country team had yet another phenomenal season. They placed first in all but one regular season meet and performed well in numerous invitationals. What could be better than that? They won their fourth consecutive district championship, finished a close second to Bath County at regionals, and placed seventh in the Group A state championship.

Although Coach Stacey Ramsey couldn't assemble enough runners to have a full boys' cross country team, Jason Huffman, James Peters, and developmental runner, Robert Moses did not let the season go to waste. Huffman and Peters often finished in the top five and made it to regionals as individuals, while Moses showed definite promise.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.
Jason Huffman, Robert Moses, and James Peters.

SIBLING RIVALRY
Sophomore twins Tarah and Jackie Phillips compete with each other for a top five finish in a home meet.

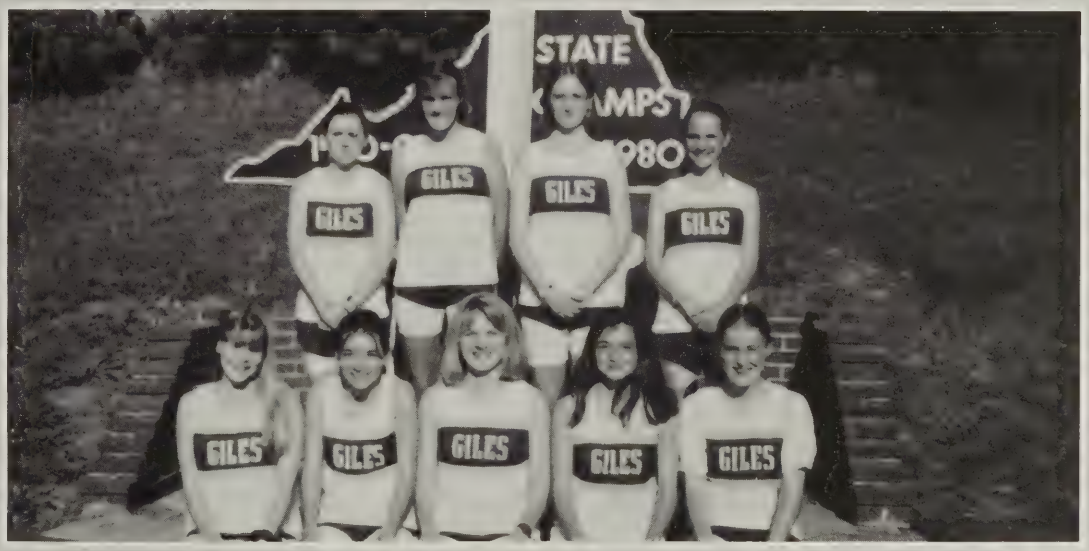
DAILY STRETCH
James Peters warms up before a meet by stretching his muscles to help prevent leg injuries.

BREAK TIME
Jason Huffman and James Peters rest after finishing only seconds apart in a particularly grueling meet.

SCOREBOARD

Competitors	Giles
Carroll County	1st
George Wythe, Carroll County, Graham	1st
Radford, Shawsville, Floyd	1st
Graham	2nd
Fort Chiswell, Grayson	1st
Grayson, Fort Chiswell	1st
Highlander Invit.	16th
Shawsville Invit.	1st
District	1st
Regional	2nd
State	7th

WINS	LOSSES
7	4



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM
Front row: Tiffany Bowman, Jackie Phillips, Jessica Clark, Tarah Phillips, and Leslie Moses. Back row: Melissa Shepherd, Patience St. Ledger, Charity Peters, and Becky St. Ledger.

Go — Fight — Win! Varsity Cheerleader Megan Noble cheers to the music of the Fight Song as the pep band plays.

Friends forever, Varsity Cheerleaders Cherad Woodyard and Nichole Jones have become best friends over the years. Cheerleading has provided lots of fun, friends, and laughs for everyone.

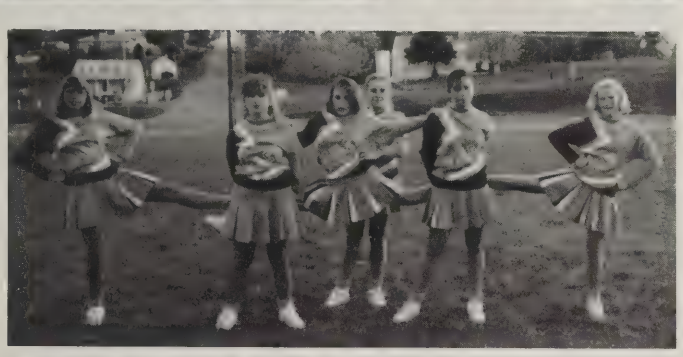
Varsity Cheerleaders. Top: Tina Collins, Shannon Lassinger, Julie Keating. Middle: Jamie Jennell, Michele Johnston, Megan Noble. Bottom: Karrah Dunn, Cherad Woodyard, Angela Taylor, and Nicole Jones. Sponsor: Rhonda Reed.

We, we will succeed. Above right: The Eighth grade, JV, and Varsity Cheerleaders join together during a pep rally to perform a cheer and stunt for the fellow students and football team.

All smiles! Varsity Sponsor Rhonda Reed, captain Angela Taylor, and co-captain Jamie Jennell are all smiles before a game.

Go Spartans, let's fight, Spartans, let's win! The varsity cheerleaders do a quick stunt between quarters at the playoff game against Radford.

Spartan Cheerleading



Eighth Grade Cheerleaders. Regina Dove, Melissa Shultz, Tina McCroskey, Mary Alice Muncy, Nikki Reynolds, and Kami Compton. Not pictured: Amanda Jones and Nicole Shepherd. Sponsor: Mrs. Beth Roe

JV Cheerleaders. Top: Kelley Perdue, Courtney McGuire, Jenny Buchanan. Middle: Keely Athey, Sarah Wilson, Heather Austin, Amanda McCroskey. Bottom: Amy Ryder, Leslie Williams, and Kelly Myers. Sponsor: Miss. Terry Lilly

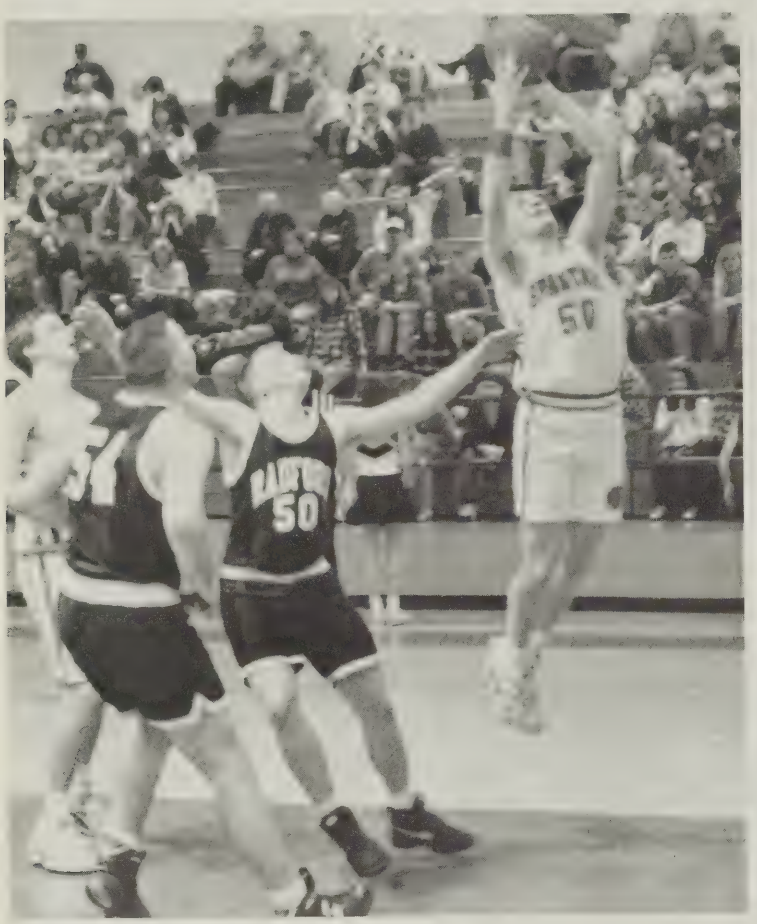
mile! The eighth grade cheerleaders take a break from a summer practice to ose for the camera.

Building up to the top. The JV Cheerleaders show their spirit by working together to perfect a stunt.

Let's go Spartans! JV cheerleaders Keely Athey and Kelly Myers cheer at a pep rally as the varsity football team enters the gym.

GOING FOR TWO
Junior Adam Jones goes up strong for a layup against the Radford Bobcats in the Three Rivers District Tournament.

UP FOR THREE
Senior Aaron Myers shoots a long range three-pointer in the face of a Radford defender. Aaron earned All-District honors this year.



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ATTITUDE

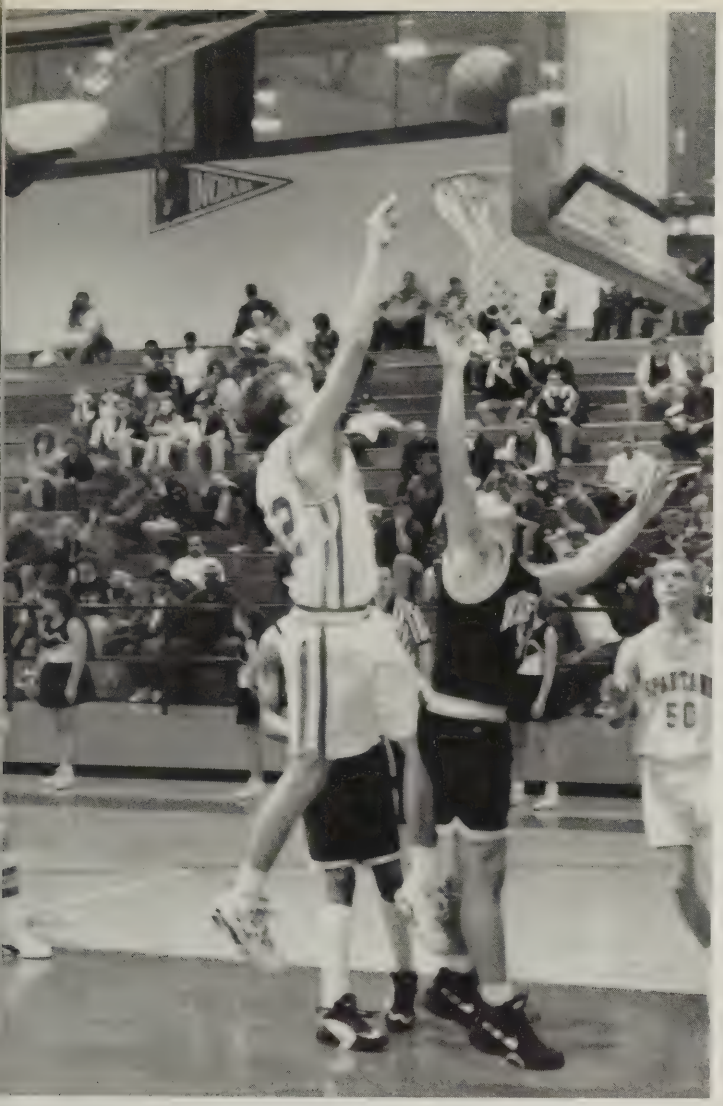
Defense. Cut off with your feet. Hands up. Attitude, composure, and teamwork.

These were just a few of the tactics that Coach John Howlett stressed to his players on the court this season.

The Giles High School basketball team had a season to be remembered. They broke the school record with consecutive games won with ten, and also with the most wins in a single season, with sixteen. Giles also had two All-District players in John King and Aaron Myers.

The Spartans won the Three Rivers District Tournament defeating Floyd in the finals 60-55. Following the Floyd game the basketball team made it to the first round of Regions against Grayson County.

GETTING READY
The Spartans get in a huddle and give their traditional high five before they played Grayson County in regions. The Spartans were defeated 51-52 in a heart-breaking overtime loss.



Senior John King soars above the Radford basketball team as he goes in for an easy two. John King also earned All-District honors.

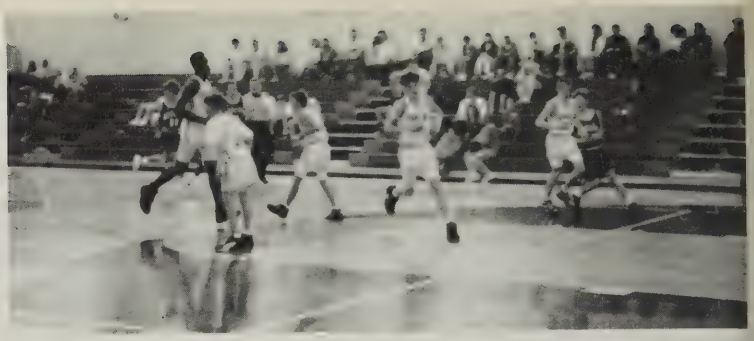
Junior Robbie Claytor goes to the basket hard while he puts one up over Radford in the Three Rivers District Tournament.

Senior Anthony Myers looks to make a pass as he gets caught in the Bobcats swarming defense. Anthony earned Three Rivers District Tournament Most Valuable Player.

FINAL SCORES

	Us	Them
Ft. Chiswell	70	86
Narrows	75	70
Rocky Gap	58	35
Craig Co.	76	40
Bland Co.	84	67
Narrows	63	48
Auburn	80	62
Ft. Chiswell	66	62
Christiansburg	66	62
Shawsville	86	63
Bland Co.	57	44
Floyd Co.	67	69
Radford	74	59
Shawsville	84	62
Auburn	76	64
Radford	54	55
Floyd Co.	68	82
Christiansburg	74	67
Radford	56	48
Floyd Co.	60	55
Grayson	51	52

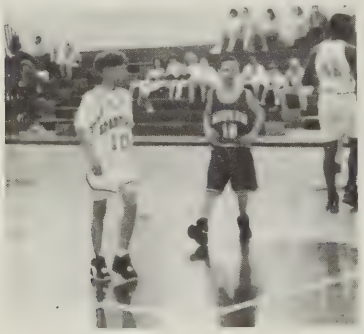
VARSITY BASKETBALL
First row: Aaron Myers, Anthony Myers, Ben Brown; Zack Collins, manager; Jason Butler, Jamie Meadows, and Josh Stephens.
Second row: Landon Cassidy, Jason Edwards Aaron Albert, Josh Wimmer, John King, Adam Jones, and Robbie Claytor



SETTING UP. The eighth grade basketball team gets back to display some impressive defense.

FOCUS. Derek Hare shows intense concentration on a free-throw against Auburn.

READY TO PLAY. David Claytor looks on in eighth grade action.



DETERMINATION

JV and Eighth Grade Stick to It.

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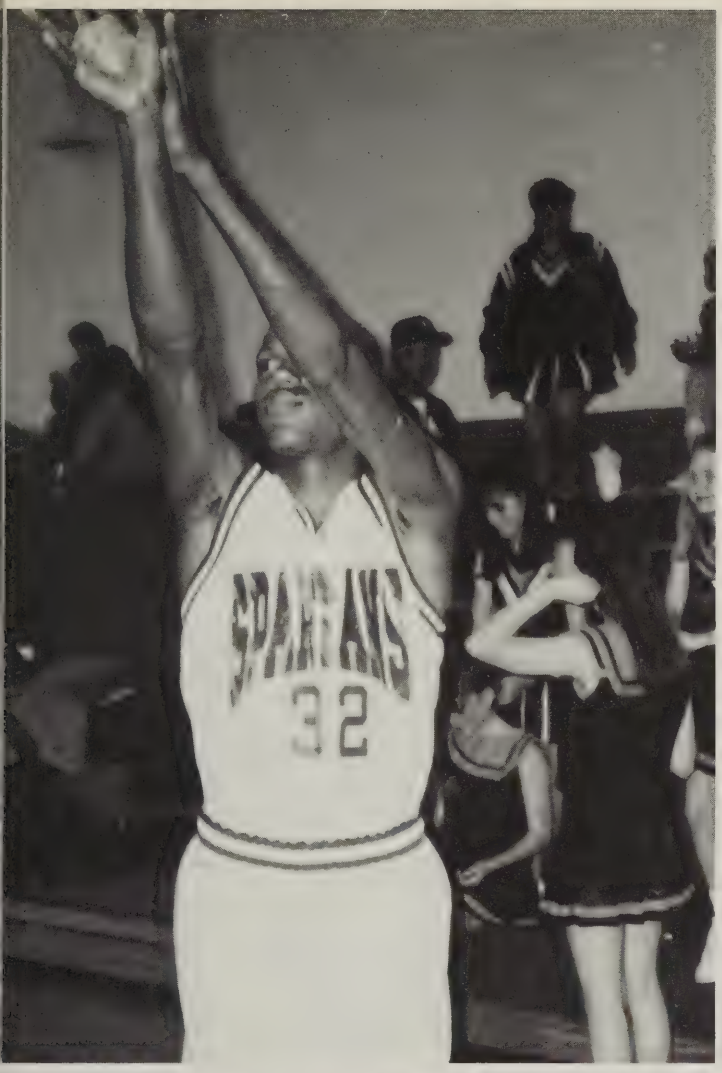
The Eighth Grade and J.V. basketball teams stuck together through the thick and thin this season. The eighth grade team was not only a sea of new faces, but they had a new coach, Mr. Bill Munsey. The boys were enthusiastic in the preseason with more than twenty players trying out for the team. Coach Munsey stated that he did not want to cut players, but with such large numbers he had no choice.

When the team was finally assembled, the boys were in for a season of brotherhood and fun. Though they may not have been the most winning team around, the eighth grade basketball team taught other teams a lesson in fun

The JV basketball team began by trying to fill the gigantic shoes of last season's awe-inspiring team then had only handful of people returning from the previous team.

Coach Roe had a few tricks up his sleeve as the season got underway. Placing eighth-grader Russ Johnston and defensive all-star Tee Peoples in the starting five with the returnees from last year was unprecedented. The team looked as if they were going to be district contenders in the beginning, but as the season progressed they encountered obstacles. Ultimately, the team gained valuable experience for the future.

DOWNTOWN. Russ Johnston throws one up in a J.V. game.



PERFECT FORM. Michael Peoples exhibits picturesque form on a jump shot.

FREE FALLING. A few players wait for a ball to roll off the rim.

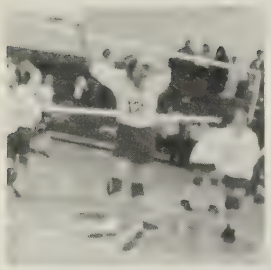
WINS	LOSSES
4	11

Front l-r: Shaun Radford, Brandon Clark, David Claytor, Ryan Ege. Back: Josh Williams, Timothy Carbaugh, Mack Harvey, Jason Williams. Not pictured: Dimitrius Willis, Stephen Gilmer, Ross Rhodes, Reid Nicholson, Andrew Simmons, Coach Bill Munsey.

WINS	LOSSES
5	15

Front l-r: Michael Peoples, Carl Smith, Andy Johnston, Russ Johnston, Billy Burton. Second row: Seth Bandy, Josh Jennelle, Derek Hare, Derrick Lang, Shaun Vaught. Back: Coach Randall Roe, Jason Taylor, Brandon Williams, Adam Lassinger, Zach Whitsett, Clay Davis; manager, Travis Jones.

Varsity Volleyball



The Lady Spartans had a successful year. With six returning seniors and some very promising juniors moving up, the team was full of talent. They had a good season, despite difficulties that snowy weather placed on game and practice schedules. Finishing third in the regular seson with a record of 5-3, the spartans went into the district tournament to face a tough Floyd team. They defeated the Buffs 15-12, 11-15, 15-2, and moved on to face Auburn, losing in two extremely close games. Their success in this tournament put them in regional play against Narrows. Although they were defeated, the team had improved throughout the season and reached many goals. Congratulations on a great job!

Crushing the ball. Senior Gina Claytor goes up to kill a ball as Tina Collins waits for the block.

Bump, set, kill. Michele Johnston hits over blocker Lori Talbert in warm-ups before a home game.

1995-96 Varsity Volleyball Record

W	Craig Co.	15-5; 15-11
W	Christiansburg	14-16; 15-6; 17-15
W	Graham	15-17; 15-7; 16-14
W	Ft.Chiswell	15-5; 15-5
L	Narrows	3-15; 12-15
W	Auburn	15-10; 15-12
W	Ft. Chiswell	15-1; 15-7
W	Shawsville	15-9; 14-16; 15-10
L	Narrows	9-15; 11-15
L	Floyd	8-15; 9-15
L	Floyd	8-15; 8-15
W	Graham	15-13; 15-10
W	Shawsville	15-5; 15-8
L	Auburn	5-15; 15-6; 9-15
W	Radford	15-4; 15-4
W	Radford	16-14; 8-15; 15-8
----------District Tournament----------		
W	Floyd	15-12; 11-15; 15-2
L	Auburn	13-15; 12-15
----------Regional Tournament----------		
L	Narrows	9-15; 10-15

1996 Lady Spartans. Dawn St. Clair, Kellyn Clark, Kim Clark, Whitney Matlock, Cherad Woodyard, Patti Talbert (m), Jessica Higginbotham, Heather Francis, Amy Wilson, Robin Ballard, Lori Talbert, Billie Jean Kirk, Gina Claytor, Tina Collins, Michele Johnston, Coach Schmidt.

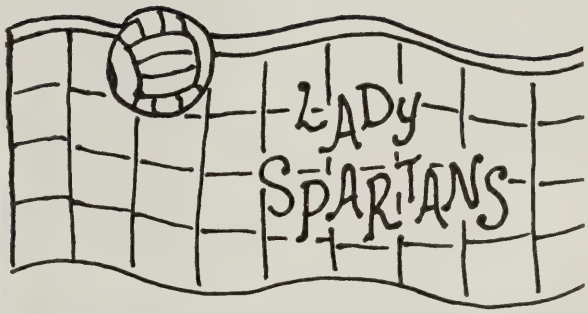
Two-ty Fruity. Jessica and Tina display their healthy eating habits with bananas and grapes before a game.

Heather, Lori, Kim, Kellyn, Cherad, Michele, Robin, Amy, and Whitney pose for a picture after stretching.

Let's Get Ready To Rumble: Junior Amy Wilson prepares to receive hard tosses during warm-ups before a big game.

Family Ties: Sisters Kellyn and Kimberly Clark wait to serve before the game at Graham.

1,2,3 . . . FUN: The Lady Spartans goof off for the camera during practice one afternoon.



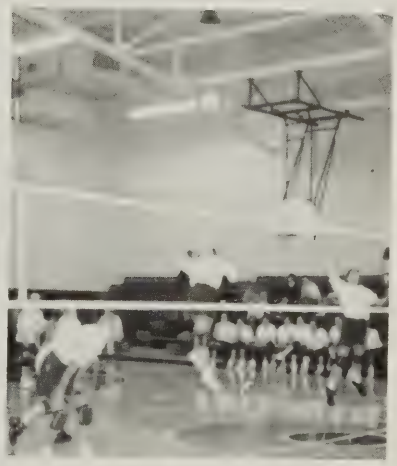
"At Giles you play volleyball, not for your life, but for your HONOR. You play for TRADITION. You play volleyball at Giles because it has MEANING!" — Coach Schmidt

Synchronized stretching: Kellyn Clark leads the team in a unique stretch during the J.V. match.

Loosening up: Sophomore Kimberly Clark and junior Cherad Woodyard find time to smile while stretching.

Jessica, Dawn, Robin, Amy, Cherad, and the rest of the team say The Lord's Prayer before a game.

Working "TOGETHER": The seniors make a pyramid after persuading Coach Schmidt to lie in the front.



Left: Lori Talbert bumps a perfect pass back to Coach Schmidt. Above: Gina Claytor is ready to kill the ball as Robin Ballard looks on and Lori Talbert fakes.

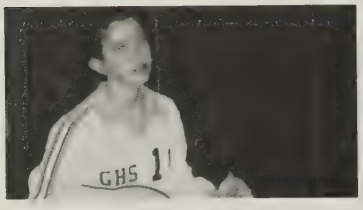
The J.V. Volleyball team gets set to return a serve.

AWESOME

The J.V. volleyball team turned in an awesome effort this season. This year's squad worked like a well-oiled machine. their teamwork and "commitment to excellence" were impeccable.

The girls were directed by Coach Tammy Brown. Anyone watching the team play could see that they were well taught and that Coach Brown is good at what she does.

The team played its way to a district championship this season. The season was as close to perfect as you can get, with only one loss. The volleyball defeated some of the best teams of the area with ease. When these girls get to the varsity level, every team in the state better look out.



INTIMIDATION. Felica Rankin shows off her game time facade.

EXPERT MENTOR. Coach Brown calls a timeout to give her girls a rest.

HYPED UP. The players always got each other pumped up right before a game.

WORDS OF WISDOM. The ladies get some last words of inspiration before a match.

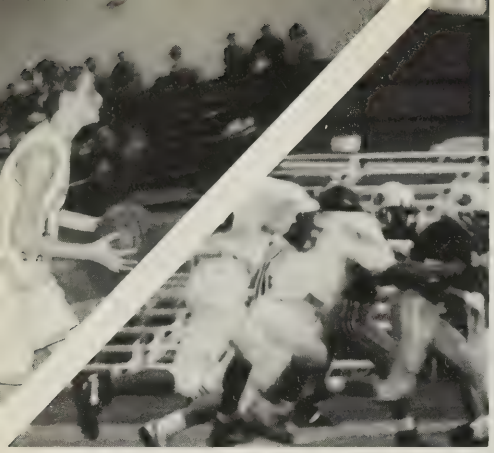
CONCENTRATION. Sophomore Tracy Ratcliffe prepares another earth-shattering serve.

SHOWTIME. The J.V. Lady Spartans take the floor to destroy another opponent.

JV V-BALL
Front L-R: Kara Hunt, Leslie Williams, Sarah Woodrig, Kelly Myers, Sarah Wilson. Second row: Manager Lori Douthat, Felicia Rankin, Kim Harvey, Tracy Ratcliffe, Jennifer Buchanan. Third row: Coach Neil Schmidt, Coach Tonya Anderson, Stephanie Jones, Rachael Mann, Erin Williams, Heather Harry, Sherri Miller, Head Coach Tammy Brown.

JV VOLLEYBALL

Team	Them	Us
Blacksburg	L	W
Auburn	L	W
Narrows	L	W
Galax	L	W
Shawsville	L	W
Craig	l	W
Floyd	L	W
Radford	L	W
Auburn	L	W
Floyd	L	W
Shawsville	L	W
Narrows	W	L
Radford	L	W



Remembering the games.

Remember the Classes

MACC All-Around Team

The Giles MACC All-Around team members are all smiles. The 1996 team: Pam Morse, William Plummer, Laura Martin, and Freedom Kelley.

MACC English Team

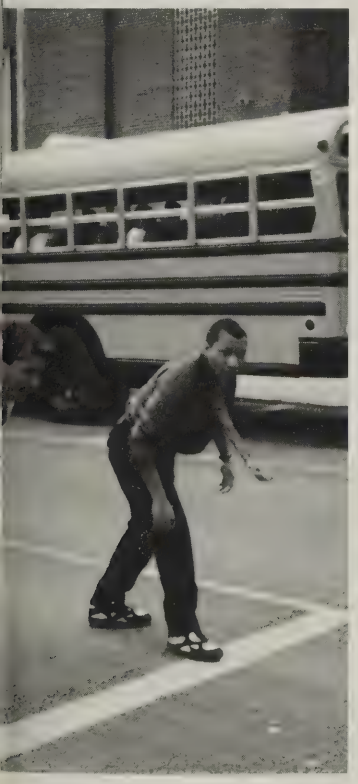
The MACC English team in action against Christiansburg. The 1996 team: Freedom Kelley, Laura Martin, Ilse Scott, Angi Taylor, and David Henderso

Spartans show off their intelligence!

Giles MACC teams have outstanding seasons.

The Giles MACC Science team has always been a perennial powerhouse in their division. The 1996 team: Pam Morse, William Plummer, Carrie Blankenship, Sara Davis, Shannon McCoy, and Tony Peoples.

The Giles MACC Social Studies team had a productive season. The 1996 team: Yancey Strickler, Byron Gore, Mandy Wachsman, Sandi Bennett, and Aaron Tickle.



Not only were the MACC teams mentally fit, they were fit physically also. Shown here, Social Studies member, Byron Gore prepares to race against Chief of Police Bill Whitsett.

The Giles MACC Math team never has trouble solving any problem. The 1996 team: Sarah Martin, Tina Kerr, Peter Cooper, and Melissa Neice.

Everyone knows it's Wendy.
Junior Wendy Snidow concentrates on her Political and Security Committee papers during the opening caucus before the official meetings began.

Animaniac maniac
Sophomore Freedom Kelley colors in her Animaniacs coloring book on the bus ride home.

O.D.U. Model U.N.
Model U.N. is a simulation of the United Nations meetings. For three days students from all over come to act as delegates representing the different countries. It is a good experience to see how the U.N. works; and it is a harder job than it seems.

1996 Model U.N. Participants
Front row: Senior Pam Morse, Juniors David Henderson and Ilse Scott. The second row has Junior Wendy Snidow, Sophomnore Freedom Kelley, Juniors Jason Porterfield and Jenny Burn. In the last row is Seniors Aaron Tickle, Sarah Martin and History Club Sponsor W.R. Johnston. The delegates were gone a total of four days, leaving early on Wednesday February 14 and returning late on Saturday February 17.

Old Dominion

1996 Model United Nations

19th Annual

Economic & Financial Committee
Jason Porterfield's committee dealt with Economic Growth Strategies and the role of Science & Technology.
"Ali-Benzinan is watching you!" — Jason P.

Social, Humanitarian & Cultural
Ilse Scott & David Henderson's committee addresses the topics of Eradicating Poverty, & Protection of Women & Children in War zones.

Political & Security Committee
Jenny Burn & Wendy Snidow work on this committee discussing the issues of Inhumane Weapons & Nuclear Technology Transfer.

Crime Prevention & Criminal Justice
"It was about compromise. With drug trafficking & smuggling nuclear weapons, some countries wanted lollipops and some wanted gum; we combined resolutions & got blow pops."
— Pam Morse & Freedom Kelley

Environmental Development
Sarah Martin's committee attempts to reach international consensus on how to address specific environmental concerns.

G.H.S. = Mexico

Our fearless leader, Mr. Johnston
This is the 10th year that the G.H.S. History Club has sponsored a group to participate in this academic competition. Mr. Johnston is the History Club sponsor and takes the students to this event.

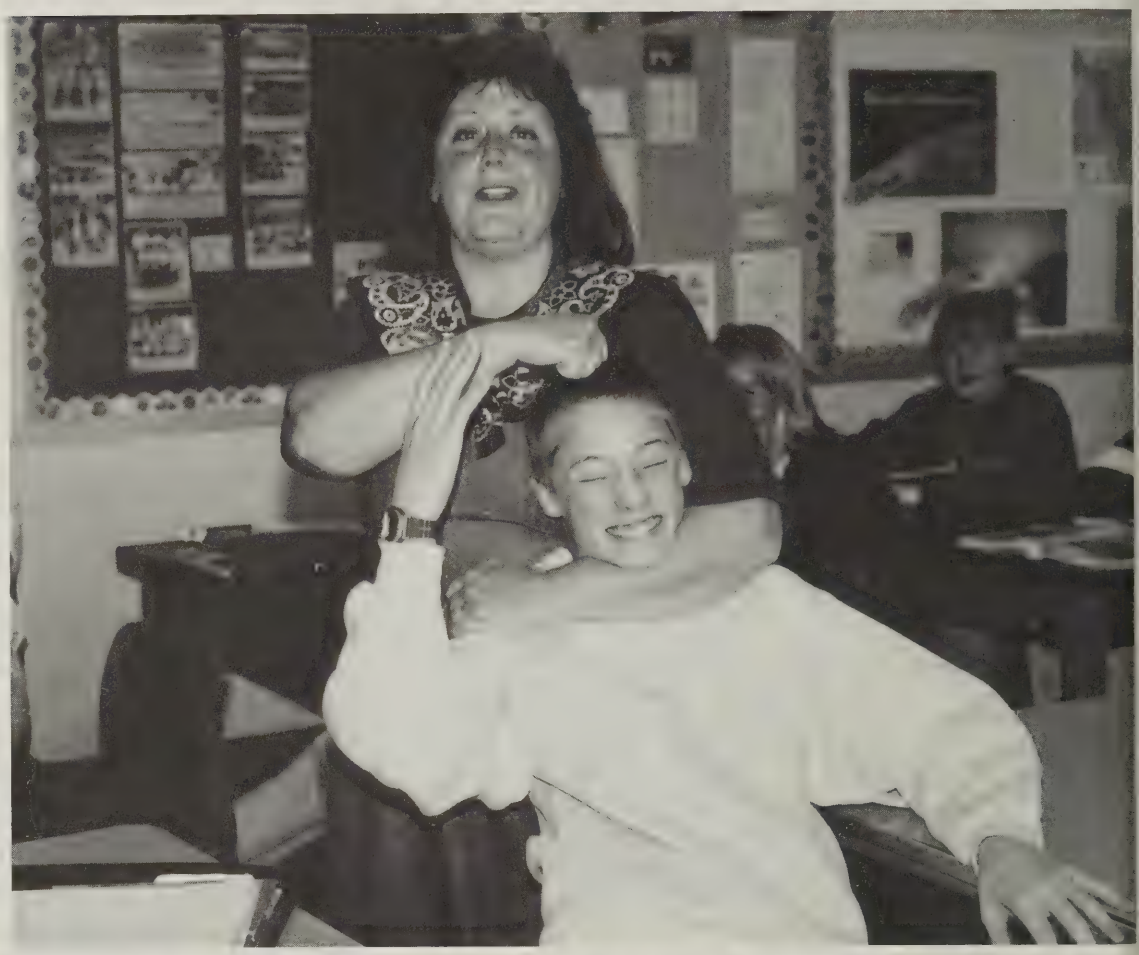
Completely worn out.
Junior Ilse Scott flops on the couch after an extremely long day of debating issues, writing resolutions, voting, and caucusing.

What about this?
Mr. Johnston explains an idea to Juniors Wendy Snidow, Jenny Burn, Jason Porterfield and Senior Sarah Martin.

Historical Simulation
Aaron Tickle attends the Historical Simulation which reenacts the very first U.N. conference held at San Francisco in 1945. They created the different committees that are now in use today.

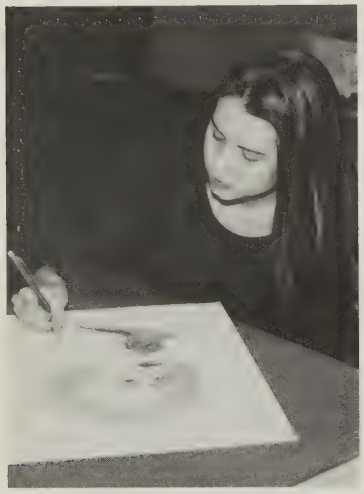
Life is full of many different challenges and experiences Learning different things throughout your school years can really help out in the future!

LIVING & LEARNING



Oh no, not *that* again!
During science class, Mrs. Wheeler takes time out to express her concern for freshman Justin Smith by pounding knowledge into his head!

Hard at work!
Senior Shannon Lassinger concentrates while working on the final details of her unfinished portrait. Shannon is in Mrs. Reed's second period art class.



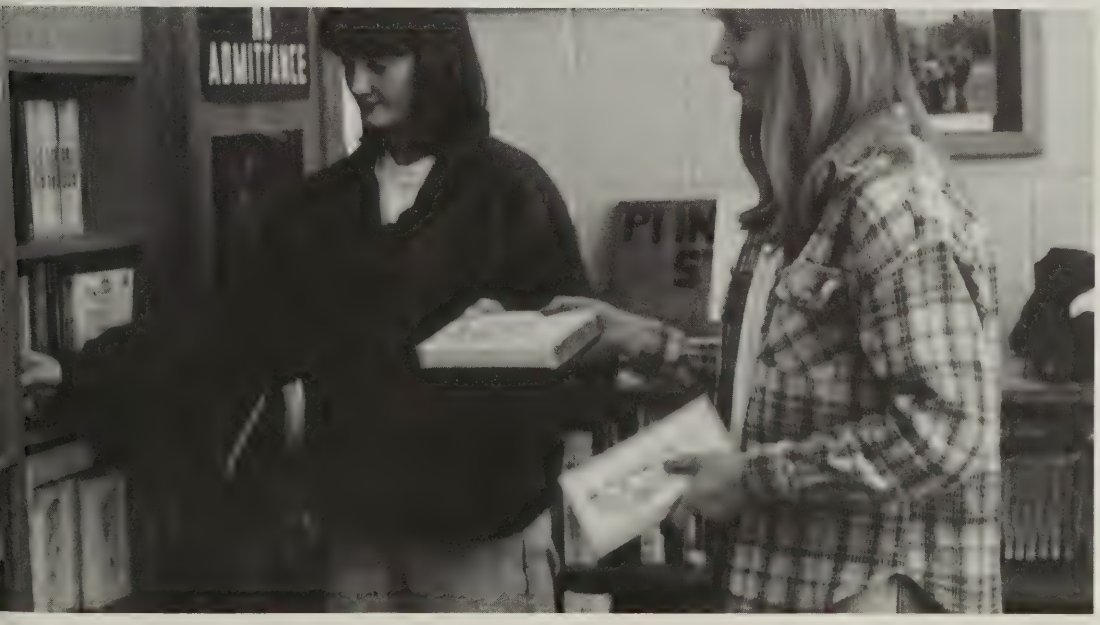
Life is a real balancing act!
During a chemistry class lab, juniors Carrie Williams, Karrah Dunn, and Tripp Bane try to find the mass of their objects in Mr. Ventry's second period chemistry class.

Listen and Learn
During video yearbook class, juniors Jodi Mullins and Zeb Bowden try to decide what their favorite tune is. Video students choose the background music for the video yearbook.

You don't like my taste in music?
Mr. W.R. Johnston selects music to put in the school video. Every year Mr. Johnston works hard making the video yearbook perfect.

Pose for your Glamour Shots!
Mrs. Rhonda Reed, the lively and amusing art teacher, models with her assistant paper mache Spartan lady.

Cheese!
Eighth graders Amanda Trenar, Nicole Shepard, Nikki Reynolds, and Sarah Miller pose with a picture they drew during art class.



So what does our thermometer read?
During Mr. Ventrys chemistry class juniors Russell Bowling and Ben Brown perform an experiment. They mix different liquids into a beaker an check the resulting temperatures.

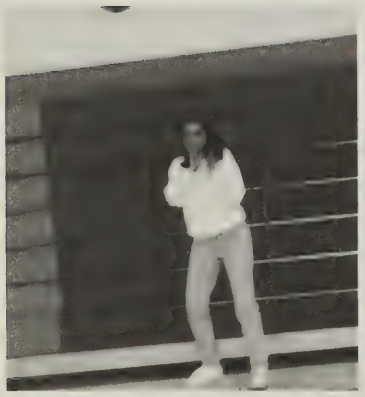
Sorting things out!
During video yearbook, juniors Jenny Burn and Ilse Scott neatly place their video in order.

Gym classes acquire lifetime skills while at play.

Physical Spartans

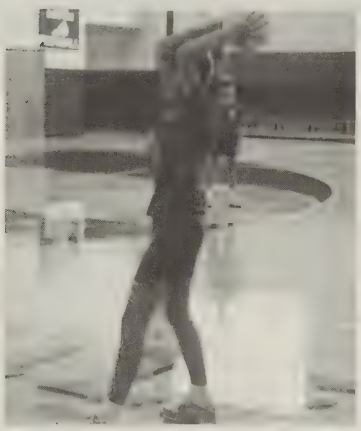
Keep your balance!
Eighth grader Brandon Smith gracefully practices his tumbling during gym class. Tumbling skills were taught to enhance performance in other sports.

Time Out!
During gym class eighth graders Amanda Jones and Crystal Perdue fight over the ball in a tight game of Dodge!



Watch Out!
Senior Tina Collins, gym assistant, tries to avoid injury as she is cornered against the bleachers by her devoted charges.

All the way to the top!
Sophomores in second period gym class build a pyramid showcasing their strength and agility.



Quick!
Freshman Rachael Mann hurriedly passes the ball to nail her opponent in a close game of dodge ball.

Hold it!
The second period gym class stretches poetically, Yoga fashion, to avoid sports injuries.

Pay attention!
Mrs. Tammy Brown takes time out to teach the proper volleyball techniques to her students.

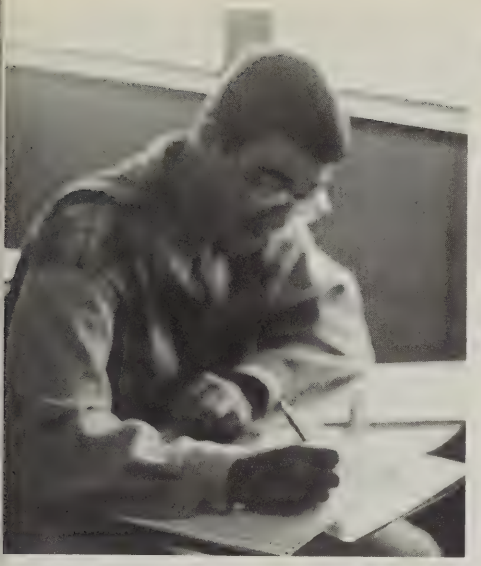
You can do it!
Sirena Patterson tries to keep her team's lead with a power serve.

Seniors Tony peoples and Keeli Whetzel show what's really important in Yearbook class.

Mrs. McFaden, the *Shield* adviser, helps junior Landon Cassidy with his first spread.

The Yearbook bunch poses for a group picture in their free time.

The entire Yearbook staff takes a break from their daily stressful duties to build a pyramid.



Yearbook Staff

> I joined the Yearbook staff so that I could be a part of something that will be remembered for years to come. — Jason Porterfield

Senior Aaron Tickle works on the layout for the divider pages. One can tell he's deep in thought.

Seniors Tony Peoples and Tina Kerr work on the senior pictures. The senior portraits were part of the first frantic deadline.

Junior Nicole Jones writes the copy for her spirit spread, while senior Billie Jean Kirk selects pictures for her memory spread.

Juniors Landon Cassidy and Ben Brown sell candy and drinks during girls basketball games to raise money for the yearbook.

Spartonian produces nine issues this year.

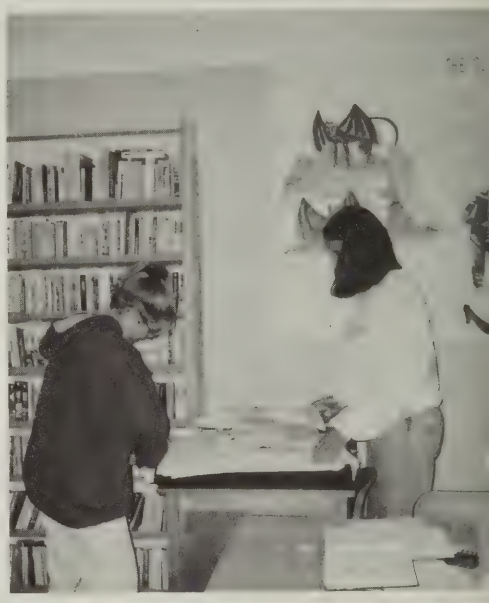
SPARTONIAN

The Giles High School *Spartonian* staff was once again very busy producing the newspaper, under the direction of Mrs. McGraw. In terms of meeting deadlines and producing flawless work, newspaper was one of the most strenuous classes of the day.

When the whole process was finished and the newspapers were back, some of the hardest work was yet to be done — distributing the newspapers to the entire student body. Each member of the newspaper staff was given a quota of papers to sell. At each lunch the rampage began. The staff ran all over the lunchroom selling every newspaper they could. Being on the newspaper staff was a privilege and a lot of hard work.

A typical production week for the *Spartonian* staff consists of typing and editing stories and pasting photographs on the pages. In the latter part of the week, students put ads, captions, and stories on the layout sheets and sent them to Lewisburg, WV, for printing.

Junior Sue Wilson and Senior Tina Collins diligently work to get the first edition of the 1995 *Spartonian* completed.



Junior Hilary Hunt tries to sell a newspaper to band director Mr. Holly. This is Hilary's first year on the *Sparonian* newspaper staff.

Seniors Stephanie Riggs and Stephanie Saunders help newspaper sponsor Mrs. McGraw tabulate newspaper sales. Each issue sells for fifty cents. Advertisements are sold to community sponsors.

Junior Chris Ratcliffe waxes pictures for the first issue of the *Spartonian*. The *Spartonian* is pasted up at school and sent to a newspaper publisher in Lewisburg, WV.

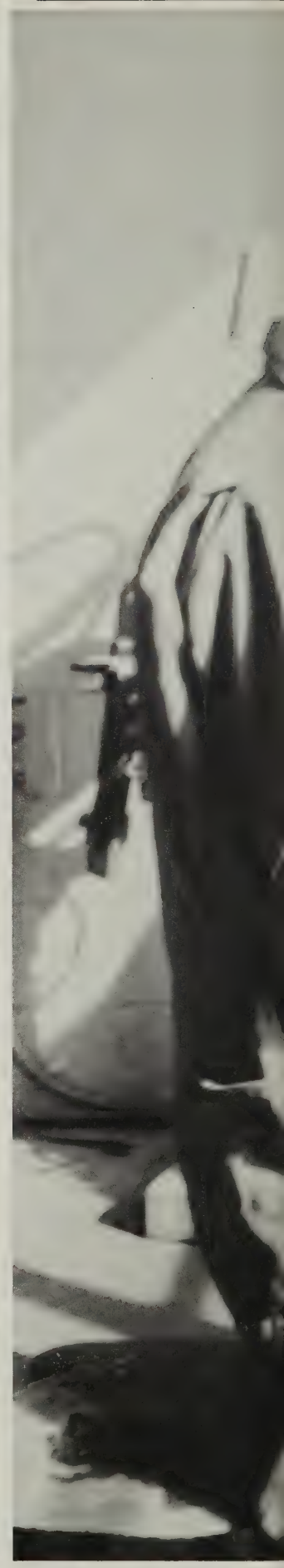
Spartonian Staff: Front row: Sue Wilson, Laura Martin, Stephanie Saunders, Tina Collins, and Hilary Hunt. Back row: Mrs. McGraw, Jason Jennelle, Stephanie Riggs, Chris Ratcliffe, Jeremy Bradley, and Amanda Smith.

Mr. Pensule is busy instructing L.J. Goad in the delicate art of wiring. Students practice wiring circuit boards that mimic the actual circuitry of electronic devices.

Senior Joey Hilton is trying to work out the kinks in this machine with one screw driver. Good Luck Joey!

Juniors Matt Whitehead and Bret Nicholson are working at finishing their projects in electronics class. The students work on projects every six weeks to decide their grade.

Michael Perdue and B.J. Evans are closely examining this drill press in machine shop.



TECH STUDENTS

Vocational students work hard during the day trying to prepare themselves for their future occupations.

Chris Ruth is concentrating hard as he puts the finishing touches on his machine shop project.

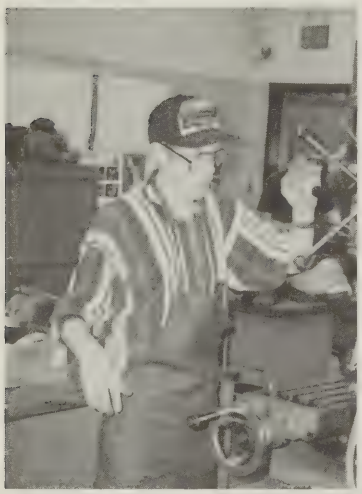
Senior Jessica Carter is working on a perm for one of her customers in her cosmetology class.

"Until I started electronics, I had no idea what drove my computer." — Matt Whitehead

Giles Tech Center

Looks complicated . . .
Seniors Gene Neice and Bobby Vaught are working on the engine of this truck in auto mechanics class.

Making final adjustments . . .
Senior Chris Lucas is adjusting the drill in second-year machine shop class.



Holding it steady . . .
Seniors Bobby Sheets and Kenneth Ratcliffe are trying to hold this board as straight as possible while cutting it.

Grinding it out . . .
Seniors Marty Midkiff and Alex Webb are grinding down the legs of a table in their welding class.

A permanent solution . . .
Senior Felicia Weatherly is giving a perm to this customer in her cosmetology class.

Getting it just right . . .
Senior Trent shorter is busy adjusting the blade before he cuts a peice of wood in machine shop class.

Carefully and precisely . . .
Junior Brian Lambert is adjusting the slide rule while drawing a blueprint in his drafting class.

Striving for perfection . . .
Junior B.J. Thompson works hard to make his drafting project flawless.

Seniors Anthony Myers and J.R. Fortner study this circuitry board, trying to make a connection and keep from getting shocked.

Vocational Students Strive to Succeed

The students at the Giles County Vocational Center work hard every day trying to perfect their trades so they can get good jobs once they are out of high school.

Chris Bales and Tripp Bane are studying this computer screen in their computer class. Tripp is pointing out Chris's mistake so he can correct it.

Senior Chris Martin has learned to operate many complex machines during his two years in machine shop.

Remember the
Opportunities

Right: Adding the final touches. Art Club officer, Keeley Athey finishes her masterpiece that she has been working on. Keeley is in Mrs. Reed's Art II class.

Seeing how it's done. David Henderson, member of the art club, gets a little advice from Mrs. Reed about his next assignment.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

Drama Club

Front Row: Mrs. Laura McGraw, Aaron Albert, Adam Jeffers, Megan Noble, Michele Johnston. Row 2: Kelley Eaton, Angela Taylor, Jessica Clark, Erin Martin, Melanie Morris, Jenny Burn, Shannon Bohn. Row 3: Lashawnda Dickerson, Josh Stephens, Gina Claytor, Tina Collins, Stephanie Saunders, Hilary Hunt, Byron Gore, Freedom Kelley. Back Row: Angela Fraley, Ashley Kendall, Jodi Mullins, Heather Francis.

Art Club

Front Row: Miss Odessa Kendall, Aaron Raines, Melissa Cumbee, Erin Martin, Keeley Athey, Amaris Patterson. Row 2: Kenneth Southern, David Henderson, Mindy Batson, Robert Moses, Quinton Criner, Jason Link, Elaine Groseclose, Shannon McCoy, Pippi Miller, Crystal Stafford. Row 3: Justin Smith, Jessica Caldwell, Cindy Kessinger, David Hobbs, Pam Thompson, April Lucas, Mark Dunbar, Matt Thompson, Priscilla Donahue. Back Row: Jon Fulton, Heather Francis, Jason Edwards, Derek Hare, Josh Wimmer, Ryan Heck, Shannon Lassinger, LJ Goad, Beth Williams, Chris Martin, Dale Stump.

PARTICIPATION

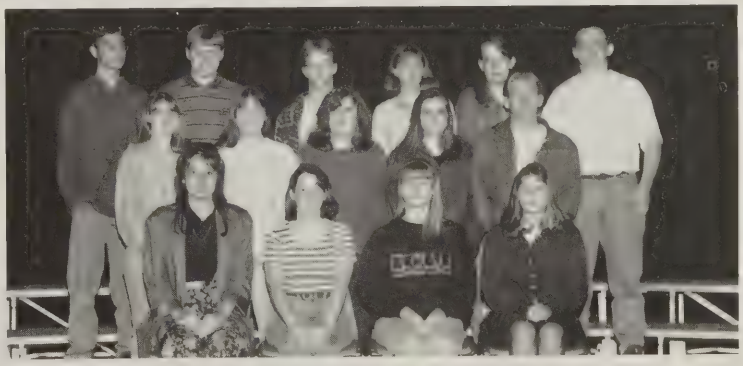
"Being able to take time out from classwork and come together with people who share the same interests, is what makes being in a club fun." — Jessica Higginbotham

Above: Drama Club members Josh Stephens, Melanie Morris, and Angela Fraley act out a skit about a championship basketball game.

Left: Helping out in the community, FBLA member Melissa Neice brings in the contributions to the canned food drive.

Future Farmers of America

Front Row: Mr. Brian Strader, Jeff Atkins, Eric Atkins, Matt Thompson, John Ross, Jesse Cook, Mr. Brian Ashby. Row 2: Larry Epperly, Daniel Johnson, Mark Woodyard, Phillip Shepherd, Ricky Reed, Kenny Southern, Jamie Johnson, Josh Snider. Back Row: Mike Epling, Jeremy Fuller, Lonnie Medley, Joey Ranin, Billy Havens, Charles Sartin, Billy Burton, Reggie Stevens, David Flora, Brandon Clark.



Future Business Leaders of America

Front Row: Mrs. Beth Roe, Jessica Higginbotham, Miranda Horn, Jessica Bowman. Row 2: Melissa Neice, Angi Riggs, Crystal Payne, Tammy Whittaker, Shawn Snider. Back Row: Ali Akhlaghi, Justin Williams, Jason Scott, Patience St. Leger, Pam Thompson, Adam Jeffers.

History Club

Front row: Becky Fenstermaker, Robbie Claytor, David Dufault, Adam Jeffers, Jenny Burns, and Jamie Jennell. Second row: W.R. Johnston, Sara Martin, Jessica Clark, Freedom Kelly, Cherad Woodyard, Adam Jones, and Brandon Steele. Third row: Avrial Athey, Donna Medley, Amy Rider, Angie Taylor, Pamela Morse, Ilse Scott, Karrah Dunn, Tina Collins, and Matt Marshall. Fourth row: Jason Butler, Kelly Ratcliffe, Keeli Whetzel, Amy Wilson, Crystal Wilburn, Jennifer Stafford, Tony Peoples, Melanie Morris, Carrie Williams, and Aaron Tickle. Fifth row: Michele Johnston, Jodi Mullins, Shannon Bohn, Hilary Hunt, Wendy Snidow, Ashely Collins, Jessica Bowman, Holly McCall, and Amanda Meredith. Back row: Landon Cassidy, Brian Lambert, Casey Clark, Zeb Bowden, Jason Porterfield, Josh Wimmer, Michael Mertz, Steven Hypes, John King, Matt Sarver, Jeremy Bradley and Yancy Strickler.

Club officers

Sponsor: Mr. W.R. Johnston; President: Sarah Martin; Vice President: Jessica Clark; Video Coordinator: Freedom Kelley; Editor: Cherad Woodyard; Sergeant-at-Arms: Adam Jones and Brandon Steele.

French Club

Front row: Mrs. Marie Martin, John King, Hilary Hunt, Megan Noble, Melanie Morris, Stephanie Saunders, and Becky Fenstermaker. Second row: Kelly Eaton, Laura Martin, Timmy Sanders, Rachael Williams, Sandy Bennett, Stephanie Goodwin, Keeli Whetzel, and Jessica Marshall. Back row: Brianna Robinson, Avril Athey, Jeremy Bradley, Peter Cooper, Jeremy Martin, Jason Scott, Andy French, Missy Carter.

Club officers

Sponsor: Mrs. Marie Martin; President: John King; Vice-President: Hilary Hunt; Secretary: Megan Noble; Treasurer: Melanie Morris; Reporter: Stephanie Saunders; Chaplain: Becky Fenstermaker.

FHA Club

Front row: Mrs. Janice Gautier, Dorey Long, Jeanna Anderson, April Farmer, Stephanie Robbins, Mechelle Caldwell, and Patricia White. Second row: P.J. Hamblin, Donna Clark, Jennifer Simpkins, Lisa Snider, Lori Hale, Lori Douthat, Morgan Conley, Crissy Simmons, and Crystal Davis. Third row: Jennifer Mitchem, Tabitha Howell, Sam Kirk, Regina Dove, Jennifer Cunningham, Candy Manning, Terri Maze, Melissa Shultz, Jessica Pyles. Back row: Becca Sink, Melissa Ramos, Brandy Falls, Marilyn Butler, Kim Collins, Carol Whittaker, Misty Bennett, Jessica Perdue, Amy Mundy and Chasity Sheets.

Class officers

Sponsor: Mrs. Janice Gautier; President: Dorey Long; Vice President: Jeanna Anderson; Secretary: April Farmer; Reporter: Stephanie Robbins; Historian: Mechelle Caldwell; Proficiency chair: Patricia White.

Just when it seemed some clubs were doomed, they were saved. All it took was

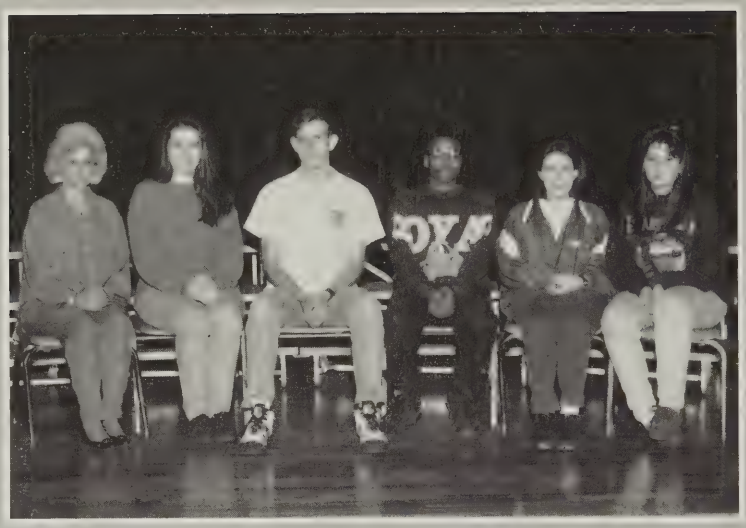
DEDICATION AND INSPIRATION

Let's Guillotine the Demons!
Junior Hilary Hunt and sophomore Rachael Williams show off their French float in the Homecoming Parade.

Working Hard!
Eighth grader Lori Hale helps out with the FHA float in the parade.

Helping out!
Junior Jennifer Brotherton associates and plays games with the children of the Pearisburg Hugs and More day care center. By Nicole Jones.

Library Club
Left to right: Sponsor Mrs. Thomas, Keli Ratcliffe, Michael Mertz, Tony Peoples, Gina Crawford, Rachel Havens.



Senior Library aids contribute

Librarian Mrs. Thomas trains a student for each class period to assist her in the library.

Chess Club
Front Row: Scott Minnick, Justin Ward. Back Row: Donnie Waldron, Peter Cooper, Wes Beckner.

Chess club focuses on winning.

The minutes quickly tick by. The opponent's breath becomes short gasps; one move and the game is won. Suddenly a castle is played and the opponent's smile vanishes.

Key/Keyette
Front row: Sponsor Mr. John Howlett, Michele Johnston, Scott Caldwell, Jessica Clark, Lashawnda Dickerson, Tony Peoples, sponsor Mrs. Knott. Second Row: Becky Fenstermaker, Carrie Williams, Whitney Matlock, Karrah Dunn, Megan Noble, Melissa Morris, Amy Ryder, Angie Taylor. Third row: Travis Price, Jodie Mullins, Beth Williams, Rachel Williams, Sarah Lucas, Amanda Smith. Fourth row: Sarah Bostock, Wendy Snidow, Stephanie Saunders, Hilary Hunt, Sherry Miller, Jenny Buchanan, Jackie Phillips, Heather Harry. Back row: Robbie Claytor, Gina Claytor, Landon Cassidy, Tina Collins, Jamie Meadows, Tripp Bane, Matt Marshall, Missy Carter, Julie Keating.

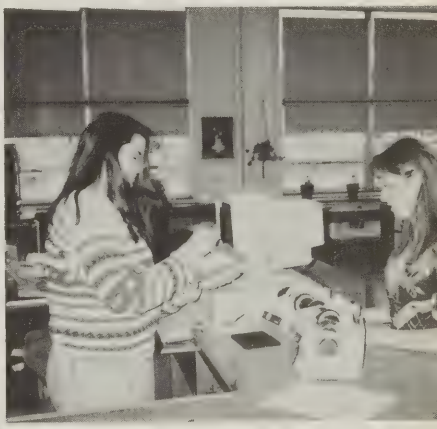
Key and Keyette clubs help with service.

The Key and Keyette club spends the year doing service projects for the community.

Key/Keyette Clubs, Chess, and Library assistants

Contribute Time and Effort to Serve

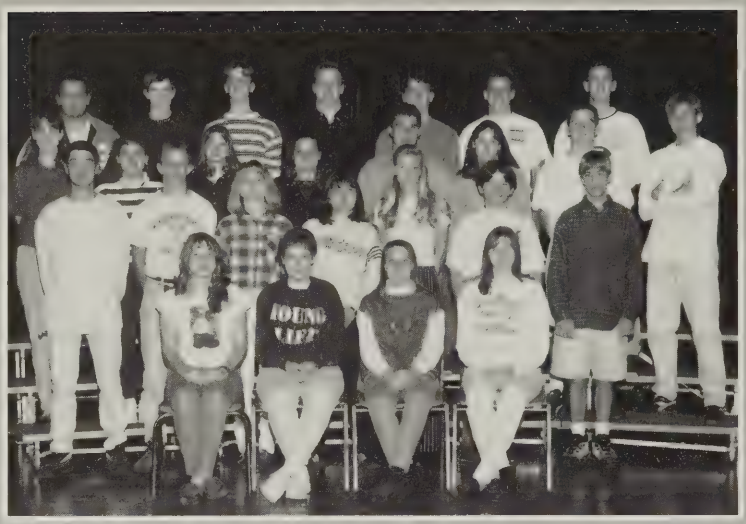
Making Plans.
Junior Michele Johnston and Key Club sponsor John Howlett spend time before school making plans for the clubs service projects.



Checking it Out.
Senior Stephanie Riggs checks out a book from senior library assistant Keli Ratcliffe after school. Keli has a lot of responsibility in the library with shelving the books.

Concentration
Junior Peter Cooper pays close attention as he tries to over take Greg Brown in a game of chess. Peter and Coach Brown play chess evrey morning before school.

Monogram Club
Front row: Michele Johnston, Wendy Snidow, Megan Noble, Jodi Mullins. Second row: Aaron Tickle, Jimmy Smith, Jessica Clark, Whitney Matlock, Julie Keating, David Henderson, Russell Bowling. Third row: Stephanie Saunders, Dawn St. Clair, Jessica Bowman, Melanie Morris, Tommy Workman, Lori Talbert, Ben Miller, Robbie Claytor. Back row: Stuart Davis, Jason Porterfield, Jamie Meadows, Jeremy Saunders, Ben Brown, Chris Bales, Jason Taylor.



Do You Like to Have Fun?

Then join the Monogram club, but only if you've lettered in a varsity sport.

National Honor Society
Front row: Neal Mustard, Yancey Strickler, Avrial Athey, Becky Fenstermaker, Mrs. Yolton — sponsor. Second row: Jessica Higginbotham, Sarah Martin, Brandy Falls, Pam Morris. Back row: Brandon Steele, Shannon Lassinger, Keli Ratcliffe, Tina Kerr.

Of Course Its An Honor.

A 3.5+ GPA and the willingness to help others are among the qualifications for acceptance into the National Honor Society.

Pep Club
Front row: Mrs. Hicks, sponsor; Freedom Kelley, Erin Price, Michele Johnston, Megan Noble, Melanie Morris, Mrs. Thomas, sponsor. Back row: Ashley Kendall, Jessica Caldwell, Carrie Blankenship, Jamie Meadows, Amy Ryder, Amy Conner, George Merix.

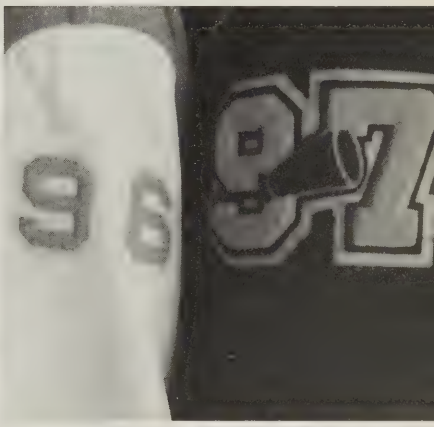
Let's Hear It For Spirit

They are the ones responsible for Spirit Days, locker sport signs, Red Zone signs, and the cafeteria bulletin boards.

School spirit is everywhere, especially in the areas of academics and athletics.

Acclaiming Spirit Spartan Style

Honor by Candle Light
Neal Mustard lights the first candle to commence the tapping ceremony of the National Honor Society. His speech touched lightly on each characteristic: leadership, scholarship, service, and character.



Attention Lettermen
Let Monogram help lower that price for a letterman jacket. This benefit is only available to its members and can only be obtained through working. Hey, you didn't expect it to be "free" did you?

Scholarly Friends
Jessica Clark, Wendy Snidow, and Jamie Jennell celebrate their acceptance into the National Honor Society. This year, more juniors and seniors have achieved these requirements than ever before.

SAE

Front row: Mrs. Redmond, Pres. Jenny Burn, V.P. Sandra Ratcliff, Sec. Laura Martin, Mrs. Colter. Second row: Sarah Vest, Kelly Eaton, David McCall, Scott Sparks, Crystal Wilburn, Mandy Washman. Third row: Freedom Kelley, Robin Ballard, Justin Ward, Brianna Robinson, Byron Gore, not pictured, Reporter Shannon Bohn.

Student Action for Education

In SAE help with meetings and other activities that are about education and improving our education here at Giles.

SCA

Front row: Mr. McGraw, Pres. Brandon Steele, V.P. Cherad Woodyard, Tres. Keli Ratcliffe, Reporter Wendy Snidow, Historian Sarah Martin. 2nd row: Kellyn Clark, Kara Hunt, Whitney Matlock, Karah Dunn, Megan Noble, Deanna Martin, Lori Marion, Sarah Miller, Nichole Shepard. 3rd row: Melissa Shulz, Nicki Renolds, Amanda McCrosky, Tarah Philips, Amy Rider, Micha Steele, Tina Collins, Stephanie Saunders, Sandy Bennent, Demitry Willis. 4th row: Julie Wood, P.J. Hamblin, Suzanne Smith, Katreena Rust, Rommy Workman, Regina Dove, Scott Heatherington, Jeremy Bradley. 5th row: Aaron Eliett, Robbie Claytor, Gina Claytor, Aaron Myers, Josh Stephens, John King, Brandon Williams, B.J. Evans, Michael Peoples and Jessica Bowman.

Student Council Association

SCA holds elections for the school officers and the class officers. There also are class representatives that are chosen from each classroom.

SADD

Front row Andrew Simmons, Wes Jennelle, Freedom Kelley, Carrie Blankenship, Autumn Groves, T.J. Dowdy, Patience St. Leger, Karrie Cooper, Mary Alice Muncy, Victoria Abernathy. Second row sponsor Mrs. Mann, Pres. Carrie Williams, V.P. Jamie Meadows, Sec/Tres Leslie Houck and Reporter Laura Martin. Third row Josh Snyder, Kim Clark, Travis Price, Jimmy Smith, Billy Jean Kirk, Gina Claytor, Tina Collins, Lori Marion, Lori Douthat, Deanna Martin, Byron Gore, Russel Bowling. Fourth row Aaron Tickle, Adam Jeffers, Brandon Steele, Neal Mustard, Kara Dunn, Whitney Matlock, Amanda Smith, Nichole Jones, Julie Keating, Tony Peoples. Fifth row Justin Ward, Jason Belcher, Lori Talbert, Jodi Mullins, Stephanie Godwin, Suzanne Smith, B.J. Thompson, Kathy Maupin, Sarah Vest, Cheard Woodyard, David McCall, Zeb Bowden. Sixth row Daren Law, Jason Porterfield, Tripp Bane, Dawn StClair, Stuart Davis, Adam Jones, Donald Wittaker, Amanda Scott, Jennifer Horn, Courtney McGuire, David Dufault.

Students Against Driving Drunk

SADD club works to inform students about the dangers of alcohol. During Prom week, SADD tied red ribbons on cars to remind students of SADD's message.

Three very active clubs working to help others;

SAE, SCA and SADD

Vote!
Senior Lashawnda Dickerson mans the ballot boxes in the mock election held during school. This student election was done before the real voting on Giles County candidates was started.

Sign in please!
Junior Laura Martin is working for SAE, greeting parents as they come in for Parent/Teacher conferences. She tells parents what room each teacher is in and directs them to it.

Fasten your seat belts!
Juniors Laura Martin, Carrie Williams, Jamie Meadows and Sophomore Leslie Houck hold the new SADD sign that now stands on the front lawn. Layout and copy by Jenny Burn.

Science Club

Front Row: Mr. Earl Ventry, Angie Taylor, Jenny Burn, Phillip Groseclose, Jessica Bowman, Sandra Ratcliffe, Mr. Randy Roe. Back Row: Amy Ryder, Ilse Scott, Brooks Taylor, John Ross, Jason Echols, B.J. Dunford.

Making Science Fun

The Science Club was a group of individuals with a common interest in science and related subjects. They each have enjoyed science and have looked for ways to make science more fun.

SMARTT

Seated: Angie Taylor, Sandra Ratcliffe. Front Row: Scott Sparks, David McCall, David Dufault, Jenny Burn, Adam Jeffers, Jonie Martin, Mr. Larry Marion. Second Row: Freedom Kelly, Carrie Blankenship, Kelllyn Clark, Stephanie Saudners, Michele Johnston, Wendy Snidow, Cherad Woodyard, Laura Martin, Kelly Eaton, Leslie Perdue. Third Row: Avrial Athey, Shannon Bonn, Patience St. Ledger, Rachel Mann, Lori Marion, Deana Martin, Holly McCall, Sarah Vest. Fourth Row: Byron Gore, Todd Meredith, Shane Bramblett, Michael Mertz, Zeb Bowden, Becky McCracken, Amber Jones, Brianna Robinson, Crystal Wilburn. Back Row: Jamie Meadows, Adam Jones, Justin Ward.

It Was a Blast

SMARTT provided enjoyment and fellowship for students, while encouraging safe fun and good decisions.

SODA

Mrs. Judy Mann, Carrie Williams, Cherad Woodyard, Neal Mustard, Adam Jeffers, Laura Martin, Brandon Williams

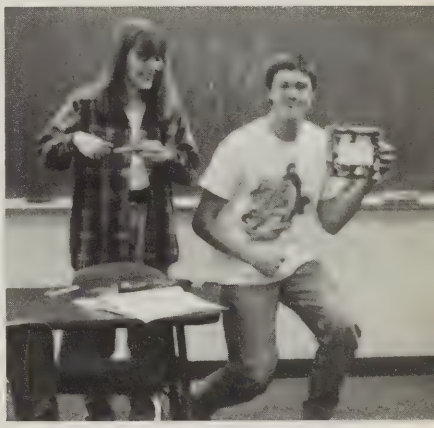
Encouraging the Future

The members of Student Organization on Developing Attitudes are a group of outstanding students who help teach the future of Giles High School. They set an example for the children to follow and show them how to make the right choices.

Proving fun comes with involvement,

Science, SMARTT, and SODA

Good Job!
Senior Neal Mustard helps an elementary school student during a SODA activity. SODA members served as role models for area young teens.



Look What I've Got!
Brandon Williams shows off one of the crafts made by the children. SODA members prepared presentations and activities for the elementary students during each of their meetings.

Hey Dave!
Senior David Dufault poses for the camera during a SMARTT meeting. The club provided the members with many fun times throughout the year.

SPANISH CLUB

First row: Mrs. Snidow, Jessica Higginbotham, Wendy Snidow, Shannon Lassinger, Jessica Clark, Jackie Phillips, and Mrs. Kraft. Second Row: Mary Sweene Felicia Rankin, Holly McCall, Scott Moye, Sarah Keister, April Farmer, Leslie Williams, and Leslie Perdue. Third Row: Jennifer Stafford, Robin Ballard, Jo Jennelle, Micah Steele, Marsha Wynn, Freddi Merix, Amber Jones, Tarah Phillips, Krissy Robertson, and Tarah Brown. Fourth Row: Amanda McCrosk Melissa Ramos, Mandy Wachsman, Chrystal Wilburn, Sheri Miller, Angela Fraley, Andy Johnston, Evan Bowling, Ashley Kendall, Kelly Purdue, and Jen Buchanan. Fifth row: Sheffey Brotherington, Russ Johnston, Josh Bishop, Anna Marie Meador, Jason Martin, Chris Hutchison, Aaron Price, Lee Conley, M Marshall, Justin Bostic, Casey Clark, and Robbie Claytor.

HEALTH OCCUPATIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA

First row: Tabitha Thorton, Beverly Barker, Chrystal Snyder, and Christina Terry. Second row: Krissey Stewart, Sam Kirk, Stephanie Dunford, Cylen Davis, ar Shaun Wimmer. Third row: Spring Biddle, Angie Niece, Laura Bailey, April Hodge, Tarah Horn, and Anna Atkinson.

TUDENTS LEARN SPANISH AND HEALTH CARE

Spanish Club and HOSA

CRUISIN'
Spanish Club members take a ride on their float during the Homecoming Parade.

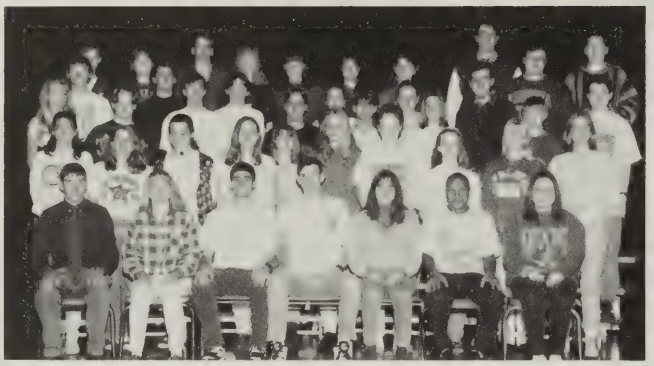
LIFESAVERS
HOSA members Beverly Barker and Christina Terry practice CPR on a dummy.

HOW'S THIS?
Spanish Club member Wendy Snidow repairs the bulletin board outside Mrs. Kraft's room.

HOSA OFFICERS
Parliamentarian Spring Biddle, Reporter/historian Angie Niece, TreasurerLaura Bailey, Secretary April Hodge, Vice President Tarah Horn, and President Anna Atkinson.

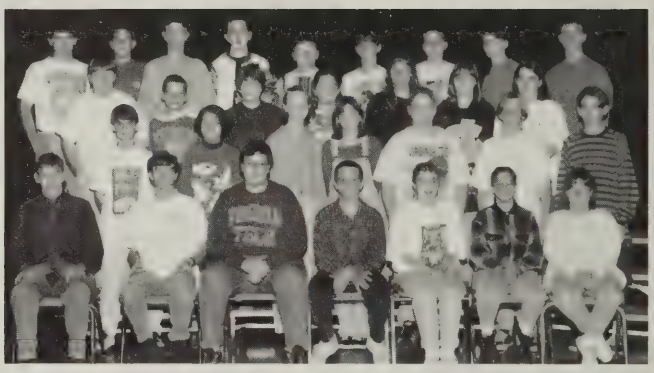
Spartan Bands

Remember the music.



Symphonic Band

First Row: Mr. David Holly, Jessica Clark, David DuFault, Michael Mertz, Lori Talbert, Byron Gore, Heather Francis. Second Row: Jackie Phillips, Kim Clark, Freedom Kelley, Carrie Blankenship, Melissa Niece, Melanie Collins, Wendy Snidow, Deanna Martin, Marilyn Butler, Leslie Moses. Third Row: Julie Keating, Adam Mills, Brian Grogan, Ben Yolton, Shane Bramblett, David Henderson, Wes Sartin, Kerri Cooper, Stephen Hypes, Marsha Wynn, Shannon McCoy, William Plummer, Daniel Wachsman, Donny Waldron. Fourth Row: Eric Akers, Pam Riggs, Jason Huffman, Leslie Houck, Sheri Miller, Tarah Phillips, Tarah Brown, Peter Cooper, Robert Wimmer, Richard Niece.



Eighth Grade Band

Front Row: Mr. David Holly, Shane Bramblett, Robert Wimmer, George Merix, Amelia Tuckwiller, Victoria Abernathy, Alison Reynolds. Second Row: Reid Nicholson, Sara Davis, Sarah Keister, Sam Corell, Andy Bowden, Andrew Simmons, Seth McCracken. Third Row: Brian Barr, Joey Ryder, Shelly White, Kathy Johnson, Lori Reynolds, Emily Meredith, Desireé Warner. Fourth Row: Stephen Linkous, Michael Paul Worley, Russ Johnston, C.J. Williams, Wes Beckner, Kelly Keffer, Brandon Whittaker, Brooks Taylor, Justin Ward.

Forward, March!
Senior Bobby Vaught stands with his drums ready, waiting for instructions to begin marching.

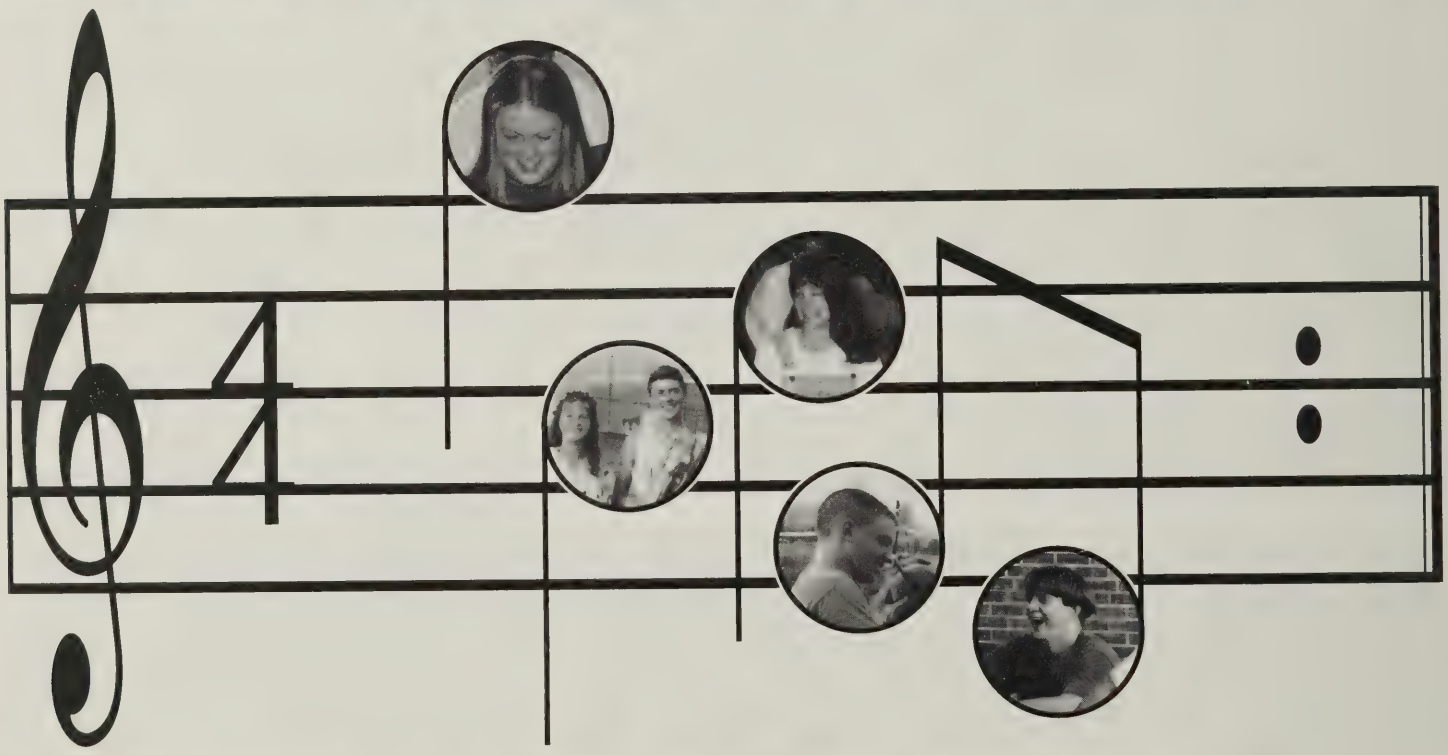
Jazzing it Up
Juniors Lori Talbert and Ben Yolton work hard to perfect their already wonderful saxophone skills.

Showing Off
Senior David DuFault gives a demonstration of his trumpet playing skills.

Fashion Show
Self-proclaimed fashion expert William Plummer models his idea of what the band uniforms should look like.

Practice Makes Perfect
The band practices together before a home football game. They play at most varsity home games and occasionally travel with the football team to away games.

NOW SHOWING: THE SYMPHONIC CHORALE & CHORAL ENSEMBLE

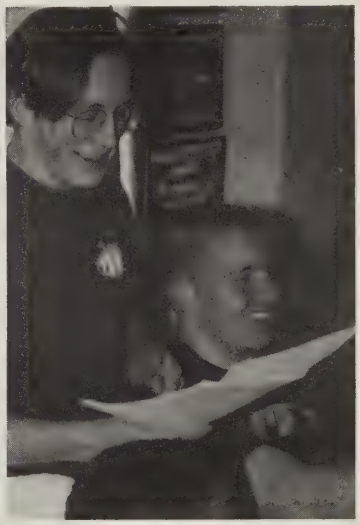


Chorale Officers:
Neal Mustard
John King
Sarah Martin
Megan Noble
Michele Johnston
Adam Jeffers

Fa-La-La: Sopranos April Lucas, Sandra Ratcliff, Angela Taylor, and Kelly Eaton sing a Christmas medley in preparation for their concert.

Summer Singers: Chorale members Sarah Martin, Joni Martin, Tina Kerr, Lashawnda Dickerson, Angela Taylor, and Michele Johnston begin the year with a performance at chorale camp for friends and family.

Hats Off to Chorale: Brandon Steele and John King watch as Neal Mustard tries on a handful of hats during a Monday night choral ensemble practice.



Double Trouble: Tenors Micah Steele and Adam Jeffers have fun while singing a new song in chorale.

Singin' In the Sun: Members of the Symphonic Chorale and Choral Ensemble spend their classtime outside practicing for the upcoming performance at the Pembroke Heritage Festival.

Summer Fun: Landon Cassidy, John King, Neal Mustard, Adam Jones, and William Plummer pass a water balloon over and under on toga night of chorale camp.

Choir/Women's Chorus

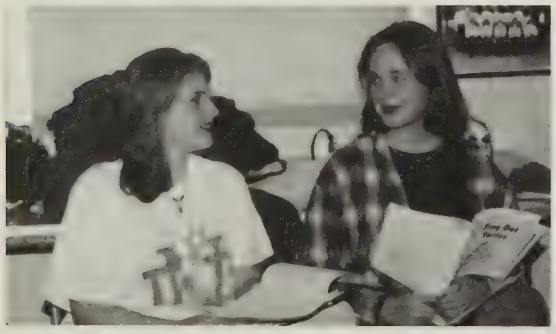
Directed by Larry Marion, Accompanied by Nancy Noble

Women's Chorus Members

ROW 1: Larry Marion, Felicia Rankin, Mary Sweeney, Amelia Tuckwiller, Leslie Perdue, Mary Alice Munsey, Victoria Abernathy, Spring Biddle, Nancy Noble ROW 2: Brandy Simpkins, Amanda Grogan, Angela Riggs, Becky McCracken, Sarah Lucas, Ashley Williams, Jennifer Cunningham, Katee Meredith ROW 3: Rachel Mann, Kara Hunt, Terry Dowdy, Ashley Kendall, Kristen White, Sarah Widrig, Kristina Barr, Angie Neice, Amy Mundy.

5th Period Choir Members

ROW 1: Nancy Noble, Jessica Draper, Robert Moses, Amy Martin, April Shultz, Beverly Barker, Kami Compton, Ace Godfrey, Larry Marion ROW 2: Angel Lafon, Jessica Hale, Sandi Bennett, Stephanie Jones, Charity Peters, Crystal Ratcliffe, Stacy Ratcliff, Angela Knight, Rachel Knight ROW 3: Jerry Paul Smith, Ross Rhodes, Lisa Snidow, Tabitha Howell, Travis Cline, Jerry Martin, Rebekah Martin, Beth Green, Sara Kirk, Brandy Gautier. (not pictured: Dana Young)



'DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE?" Members of the Women's Chorus, Amanda Grogan and Kara Hunt, exchange a look while sight-reading a new piece of music.

DOO-WOP, DOO-WOP! Ross Rhodes, Jessica Hale, Sandi Bennett, Jerry Paul Smith, Bev Barker, Sara Kirk, Ace Godfrey, and Tabitha Howell run through a 60's tune.

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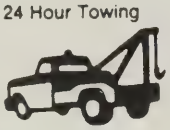

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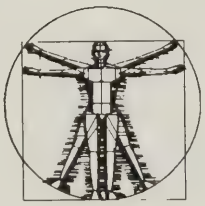

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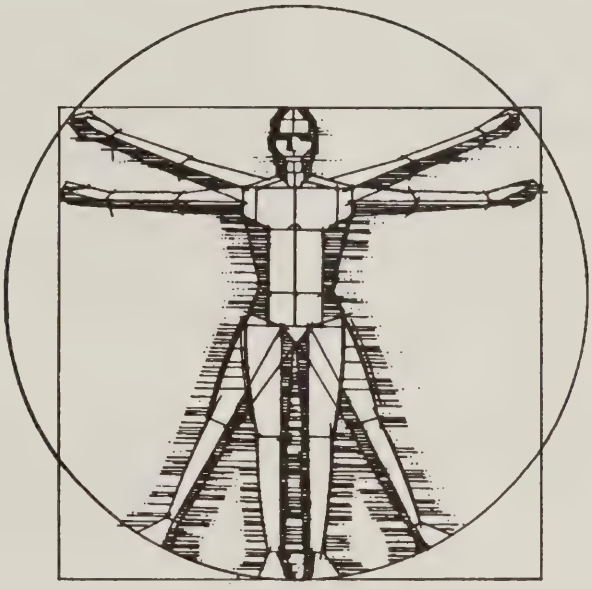

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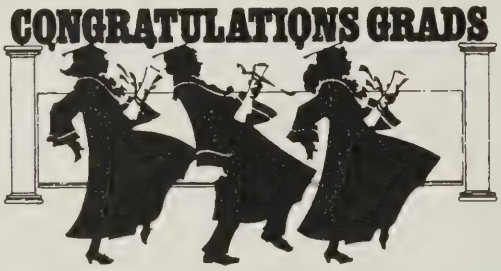

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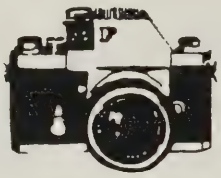

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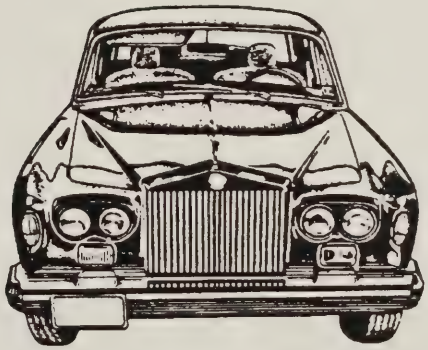

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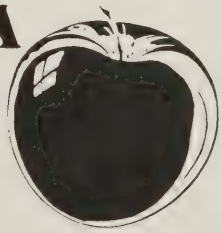

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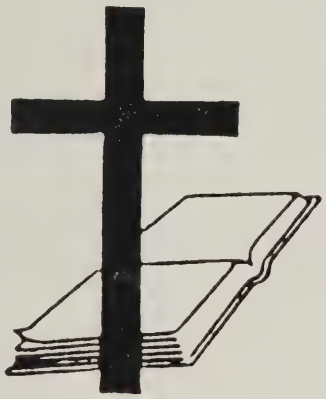

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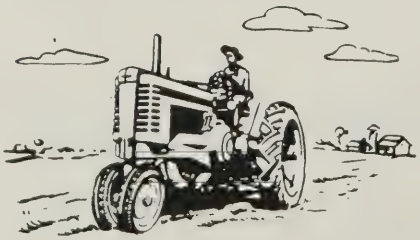

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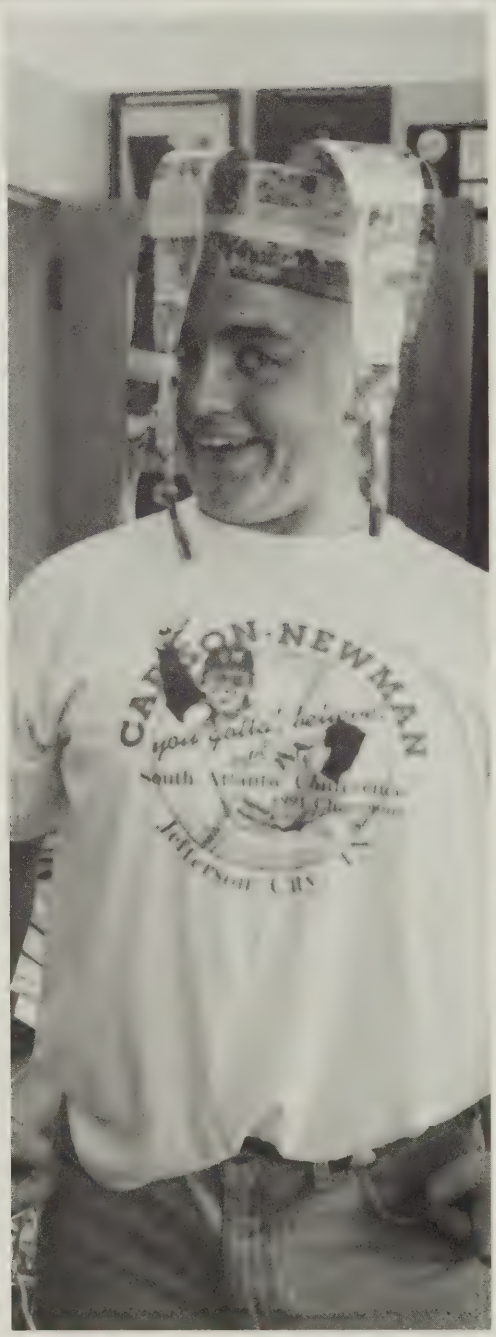

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Senior Directory

Avrial Tara Athey
Clubs: French, FCA, History, National Honor Society: secretary. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, JV cheerleading, varsity tennis. Other: Symphonic chorale, Girl's State.

Beverly Marie Barker
Awards: Three years perfect attendance at church.

Kristina Cheryl Barr
Clubs: Drama, French, English MACC.

Sandra Lynn Smith Bennett
Clubs: French, SADD, FCA, SCA, English MACC. Sports: JV cheerleading.

Bryan Keith Blankenship

Mark Edward Blankenship
Clubs: Concert and marching band.

Kendra Jean Blevins
Clubs: Key, Art, SADD, History. Sports: cross-country. Other: Who's Who Among American High School Students, 9th grade Snow Court princess, 11th grade Snow Court princess.

Timothy Shane Bramblett
Clubs: Key, SAE, Spanish: historian. Sports: varsity track. Other: Concert and marching band, All-District Band, All-Region Track.

Marilyn Dawn Butler
Clubs: Spanish, FHA. Other: Concert and marching band.

Jason Scott Caldwell
Clubs: Key: secretary and president. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football. Other: Academic Excellence Award.

Jessica Kathryn Carter
Clubs: Key, SADD. Sports: JV basketball, eighth grade and varsity track.

Kellyn Michele Clark
Clubs: Spanish, Key, SMARTT, Monogram. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, JV cheerleading, JV and varsity volleyball, varsity basketball manager. Other: Symphonic chorale, choral ensemble, All-District Women's Chorus, All-District 100m Hurdles, Senior Class: reporter.

Eugenia Gayle Claytor
Clubs: Monogram, Art, SADD, Key, SCA: representative. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, JV and varsity basketball; captain, JV and varsity volleyball: captain. Other: Senior Class: vice-president, All-District Mile Relay, All-District 300m Hurdles, All-District High Jump, All-District Volleyball, All-District Basketball.

Kimberly Dawn Collins

Tina Danielle Collins
Clubs: Drama, SADD, Key, SCA: representative. Sports: varsity track, JV cheerleading, JV basketball, JV and varsity volleyball. Other: 10th grade Homecoming princess, Senior Homecoming Queen, church youth group.

Mary Mae Conley
Clubs: VICA, FFA. Other: Choir.

Rachael Dawn Conley
Clubs: FHA, SADD. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Flag Squad.

Scott Andrew Corboy
Sports: soccer.

Gina Marie Crawford
Clubs: FHA, VICA. Sports: eighth grade basketball, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: All-District track.

Jason McCoy Cumbee

Mary Margaret Cumbee

Charles Jerod Dalton
Clubs: VICA. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, JV and varsity baseball. Other: Student of the Six Weeks, Football: 1st team All-District Offense, 1st team All-District Defense, 1st team All-Region C Defense, 2nd team All-District Defensive Tackle, Honorable Mention All-State Defensive Tackle, Baseball: Honorable Mention All-District 1st base.

Michael Jason DeBusk

Lashawnda Jermaine Dickerson
Clubs: Drama, SCA: representative, Pep: president, SADD, Key: secretary, Spanish: president. Other: Symphonic choral, All-District Chorus, Searve, Learn, and Earn Scholarship, DAR Good Citizen Award, Girls State, 10th grade Snow Court Princess, Senior Homecoming Princess, Freshman Class: president, Sophomore Class: president, Junior Class: secretary, Senior Class: president, church youth group.

Crystal Dawn Dolinger
Clubs: SADD, FHA, VICA. Sports: eighth grade and JV basketball, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Choir, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

David Kyle Dufault
Clubs: Key, Spanish, History, SADD, SMARTT. Sports: cross-country, soccer. Other: Symphonic chorale, chorale ensemble, All-District Chorus, Concert and marching band, Drum Major.

Samantha Lee Eaton
Clubs: Pep, FBLA, VICA. Sports: eighth grade girls basketball manager. Other: Student of the Six Weeks, Flag Squad, eighth grade class: secretary.

Evan Scott Ege

Brandy Michelle Falls
Clubs: Spanish, History, National Honor Society, FHA: historian. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Flag squad.

Trisha Leigh Harris Falls

Becky Joy Fenstermaker
Clubs: French, Key, FCA, National Honor Society: reporter. Sports: cross-country, varsity girls soccer. Other: Symphonic choral, choral ensemble, Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership representative, Presidential Community Service Award, Co-chairman of Foster Kids.

Erin Renee Fisher
Clubs: Pep, FHA, HOSA: historian. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, JV volleyball. Other: All-District track, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks, Graduated from Nursing to become a Licensed Nurses Aide, concert and marching band, flag squad.

Ward Nelson Fortner, Jr.
Clubs: VICA.

Heather Johanna Francis
Clubs: Monogram, FHA, Pep, Drama, Art, Spanish: secretary. Sports: JV and varsity volleyball, eighth grade and varsity track, cross country: manager.

Sara Dee Gautier
Sports: eighth grade and varsity track.

Larry Jackson Goad, Jr.
Clubs: Art, VICA, Horticulture. Sports: eighth grade football, eighth grade basketball, varsity tennis. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

Micah Menashe Amato Goff
Sports: cross-country.

Aubrey Byron Gore
Clubs: Spanish, FFA, Key, FCA, Drama, SAE, SADD, SMARTT, Social Studies MACC. Other: Concert and marching band, band: secretary.

Phillip Craig Groseclose
Clubs: Science.

Angela Irene Havens
Clubs: FHA: reporter. Other: Student Entrepreneur with Giles County Chamber of Commerce.

Rachel Catherine Havens
Clubs: Spanish, Pep, SADD, HOSA, FHA. Other: Choir.

Ryan Weston Heck
Clubs: Art. Sports: varsity tennis. Other: Academic Fitness Award.

Jessica Lynn Higginbotham
Clubs: National Honor Society, Spanish; president, FBLA: president. Sports: JV baseball manager and statistician, JV volleyball manager, JV and varsity volleyball. Other: Who's Who Anong American High School Students.

Clifton David Hilton
Clubs: VICA, FFA. Sports: eighth grade football. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks, choir.

Michael Joseph Hilton
Clubs: VICA, FFA. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Choir.

Anthony Wes Honeycutt

Reginald Jermane Hoston
Clubs: Key. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, eighth grade and varsity football. Other: 1st team All-District All-State, 1st team All-Region, 4th in the state for long jump, 1st in region for long jump, 1st in the district for long jump.

Alison Mae Howell
Clubs: Pep, Art. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track. Other: choir, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

Heather Belle Johnson
Clubs: FHA, FFA, VICA, HOSA. Other: choir.

Danny Coburn Jones, Jr.
Sports: JV football. Other: choir.

Richard Lee Jones

Stephanie Dawn Kellison
Sports: varsity track. Other: choir, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

Tina Louise Kerr
Clubs: Spanish, National Honor Society. Other: Symphonic chorale, choral ensemble, All-District Chorus, Women's Chorus, Yearbook Staff, Senior Snow Court Princess; Serve, Learn, and Earn Scholarship.

John Howard King
Clubs: Monogram, Key, SCA: representative, French: vice-president and president. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball. Other: Symphonic chorale: reporter and vice-president, choral ensemble, All-District Chorus, Academic Excellence Award.

Billie Jean Kirk
Clubs: Key, SADD. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Symphonic Chorale, Yearbook Staff, Senior Homecoming Princess, Senior Snow Court Princess, varsity volleyball captain.

Angel Lee Lafon
Clubs: Drama, FHA. Other: choir.

Shannon Renee Lassinger
Clubs: Art, National Honor Society, Spanish: reporter. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity cheerleader.

Tracy Michelle Lavinder

Christopher Matthew Lucas
Clubs: VICA, FFA.

James Matthew Marshall
Clubs: Spanish: reporter, Key, FCA, SCA, History: sargeant-at-arms. Sports: eighth grade and JV football, JV and varsity baseball. Other: 1995 Spartan Award (baseball).

Melissa Lee Dawn Marshall

Christopher Michael Martin

Joni Leigh Martin
Clubs: Spanish, SMARTT, FCA: huddle leader, National Honor Society. Other: Symphonic chorale, Youth-Adult Partnership, SMARTT team.

Sarah Ann Martin
Clubs: Spanish: secretary, History: president & vice-president, SMARTT, FCA: huddle leader, National Honor Society, SCA: historian, Math MACC: captain. Sports: eighth grade & varsity track. Other: Symphonic chorale: vice-president, choral ensemble, Voice of Democracy, Girls State, HOBY, History Day, Model U.N., Klassroom Kwiz.

David Scott McCall
Clubs: Key, SADD, SMARTT, SAE. Sports: eighth grade and JV basketball, varsity track. Other: All-District Golf, Player of the Year, All-Region C Golf, All-Region C runner-up.

Matthew Allen McClaugherty

Danny Wayne Meredith
Sports: eighth grade football JV basketball, varsity track. Other: All-District track, All-Region Track.

Timothy Todd Meredith

Michael Edward Mertz
Clubs: FHA, Spanish, Key, History. Other: eighth grade and varsity track, cross-country. Other: Concert and marching band, band: president.

Allen Wade Midkiff

Marshall Darin Midkiff
Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, varsity track. Other: Concert and marching band, JV football captain.

Mary Ann Midkiff
Clubs: VICA. Other: Student of the Six Weeks, choir, eighth grade home economics class president.

Deana Rhea Morris

Pamela Marie Morse
Clubs: Tri-Hi-Y, Spanish, Leo, National Honor Society, SMARTT, History, Students for Educational Experiences, All-Around MACC, Science Macc: captain. Other: Symphonic chorale, representative to the Rotary Youth Leadership Conference, Klassroom Kwiz, Wytheville Chapter of the American Association of University Women Award, Association for Women Geoscientists Award, Naval Science Award, Science Fair winner: regional and state, Governor's School Chemistry, Outstanding Junior Research, and Outstanding Achievement Awards.

Neal Joseph Mustard
Clubs: Key, MACC, SADD: vice-president, SODA, National Honor Society: president. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, JV and varsity baseball. Other: Symphonic chorale: president, choral ensemble, All-District Chorus, Honorable Mention All-District Baseball, 10th grade: secretary, 11th grade: president, church youth group.

Aaron Chadwick Myers
Clubs: Key, SADD, SCA: representative. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, eighth grade track, JV baseball. Other: All-District Basketball, Academic Excellence Award.

Anthony Charles Myers
Clubs: Key. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, soccer. Other: 2nd team All-District Offense, 1st team All-District Defense, 1st team All-Region C Defense, Academic Excellence Award.

Jerry Eugene Neice, Jr.

Eric Clopton Palmer

Anthony Eric Payne
Clubs: VICA. Sports: eighth grade football.

Tony Jermaine Peoples
Clubs: History, MACC, SADD, SCA, AIASA, Library, Key: reporter. Sports: eighth grade and JV football, varsity basketball. Other: Junior Class: vice-president Yearbook Staff.

William Floyd Plummer
Clubs: SMARTT. Other: Symphonic Chorale, Choral Ensemble, All-District Chorus, concert and marching band.

Travis Wayne Price
Clubs: Key, SADD, Monogram. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, JV and varsity baseball.

Kenneth Dwatne Ratcliff

Robert Dale Ratcliff

Arthur Lee Ratcliffe, Jr.
Clubs: VICA. Sports: eighth grade football.

Keli Jen Ratcliffe
Clubs: History, Monogram, National Honor Society, SCA: secretary/treasurer. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, eighth grade and varsity track Other: Symphonic chorale, All-District track. All-Region track, All-Region track, All-State track, Academic Excellence Award, Serve, Learn, and Earn Scholarship, Senior class: secretary/treasurer.

Stephanie Renee Riggs
Clubs: Spanish, SADD, Monogram. Sports: JV and varsity volleyball. Other: 9th grade Homecoming princess, Who's Who Among American High Schools

Lora Elizabeth Robertson
Clubs: Drama, SAE, SADD. Sports: JV basketball.

Kevin Scott Rogers
Awards: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

Amy Michelle Rose
Clubs: Drama, SADD, Leo, HOSA: reporter. Other: Who's Who Among American High Schools, concert and marching band, flag squad, Alpha Delta Omega reporter.

Krystal Leigh Sanders

Stephene Lorene Sartin
Clubs: Spanish.

Wesley Paul Sartin
Clubs: VICA. Other: Concert and marching band.

Matthew Eric Sarver

Stephanie Autumn Saunders
Clubs: Monogram, Key, History, SADD, Spanish, SMARTT, Drama: vice-president, Pep: vice-president, French: reporter, SCA: representative. Sports: J basketball, varsity track.

Jason Vincent Scott

Sheila Diane Sexton
Choir — eighth — twelfth; FHA.

Bobby Allen Sheets

Trent Alexander Shorter
Clubs: Monogram. Sports: varsity football, varsity track.

Amanda Dawn Simpkins
Clubs: FBLA, FHA. Sports: eighth grade track. Other: choir.

Kevin Paul Slusser
Clubs: Key, SCA: representative. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, varsity track. Other: 2nd team All-District football, 1st team All-District Runningback, 1st team All-Region Runningback, 1st team All-Region Runningback, 2nd team All-District Defensive Back, 1st team All-Timesland Football, Friday Football Extra Player of the Week, All-State track.

James Lester Smith, Jr.
Clubs: Monogram, Key, SADD. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, JV and varsity baseball, eighth grade basketball.

Stacy Lynn Snider

Kevin Lee Snidow
Clubs: VICA. Sports: eighth grade and varsity football, eighth grade and varsity track.

Henry Wayne Southern

Scott Andrew Sparks
Clubs: Key, SMARTT, SAE. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, eighth grade varsity track. Other: All-Region Track.

Jonathon Daniel St. Leger
Sports: varsity tennis, soccer. Other: Academic Excellence Award, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

William Brandon Steele
Clubs: SCA: president, SADD, National Honor Society, Monogram, History: sargeant-at-arms. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, JV basketball, varsity track, JV and varsity baseball. Other: Symphonic chorale, choral ensemble, All-District Track, Defensive Player of the Year in State and All-Timesland, Academic Excellence Award, Scholar Athlete Award for WDBJ-7, church youth group.

Roger Conley Steenken
Sports: eighth grade and varsity track.

Joshua Matthew Stephens
Clubs: Key, Monogram, SADD, SCA: representative. Sports: eighth grade and JV football, eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, JV and varsity baseball. Other: All-District Basketball, All-District Baseball, All-Timesland Baseball, Academic Excellence Award.

Jessica Lee Stevers
Clubs: HOSA: secretary. Sports: eighth grade basketball.

Yancey George Strickler
Clubs: Drama, MACC, National Honor Society: vice-president. Other: Symphonic chorale, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Governor's School: vice-president.

Dale Owen Stump, Jr.
Clubs: Art.

Joshua Brant Tawney

Angela Maria Taylor
Clubs: French, SMARTT, FCA, Math and English MACC, Drama, Key, History, Science: secretary/treasurer and president. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity cheerleading. Other: Symphonic chorale, choral ensemble, All-District Chorus, Who's Who Among American High School Students, SMARTT team, varsity cheerleading captain.

Aaron Matthew Tickle
Clubs: Spanish, SADD, Monogram, History, MACC, National Honor Society. Sports: JV and varsity baseball. Other: Yearbook Staff, Serve, Learn, and Earn Scholarship.

Bobby Lee Vaught
Clubs: TSA, VICA. Sports: eighth grade and JV football, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks, concert and marching band.

Amanda Catherine Wachsman
Clubs: Spanish, SAE, FHA, Social Studies MACC, FCA: treasurer. Other: Who's Who Among American High School Students, Women's Chorus, church youth group, Young Life, Oklahoma.

Andrew Paul Wagner
Clubs: History. Sports: eighth grade basketball, eighth grade and varsity track, varsity golf. Other: Symphonic chorale, ninth grade golf: 1st team All-District, 10th grade golf: 1st team All-District, 1st team All-Region, Player of the Year, 11th grade golf: 1st team All-District, 1st team All-State, 12th grade golf: 1st team All-District, 1st team All-Region, Player of the Year.

Felicia Renee Weatherly
Clubs: VICA, Pep. Sports: eighth grade and varsity track, eighth grade basketball. Other: choir.

Alexander Clifton Webb
Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity football, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: 1st team All-State Football, All-Region C Track.

Keeli Nicole Whetzel
Clubs: History, French, Monogram, National Honor Society. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball, eighth grade and varsity track. Other: All-District Track (9th-12th grade), All-Region Track (10th-12th grade), All-State Track (10th-12th grade), Presidential Physical Fitness Award, Academic Excellence Award, Junior Prom Princess, Yearbook Staff, Serve, Learn, and Earn Scholarship.

James Donald Whittaker

Tiffany Diane Whittaker
Clubs: SADD, Key, Interact, Bible. Other: Church Youth Leader.

Laura Elizabeth Williams
Clubs: Art, HOSA, Key, FCA, Spanish: secretary. Sports: JV volleyball, varsity tennis; Other: Concert and marching band, drill captain, flag squad: captain, Graduated from Nursing to become a licensed CNA.

Tessa Dawn Sarver Wilson

Joshua Neal Wimmer
Clubs: Art, Key, History. Sports: eighth grade, JV, and varsity basketball.

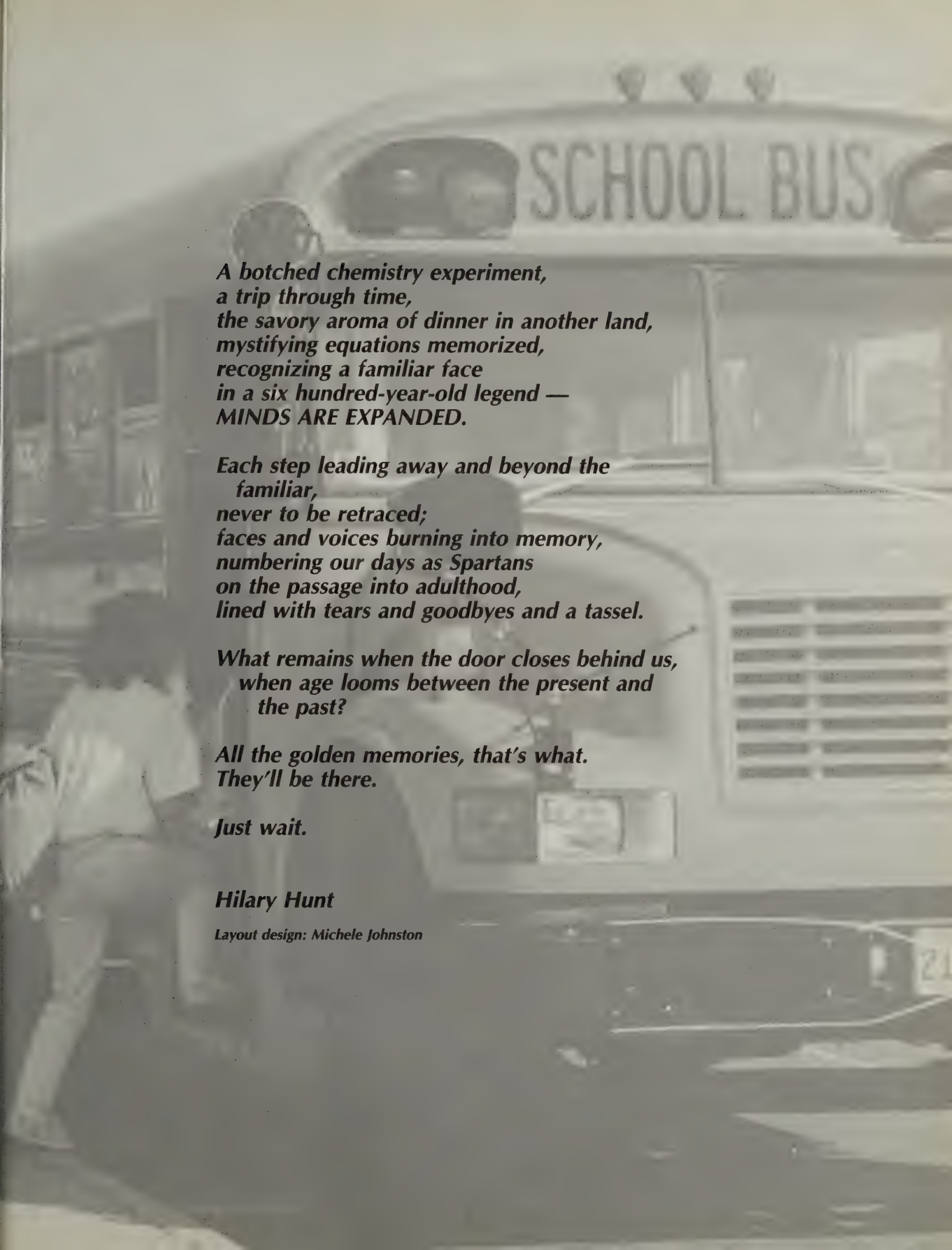
Robert Lee Wimmer
Clubs: Spanish, History, Key, SAE, SCA: vice-president. Sports: JV football manager.

Memories

Pictures on locker doors,
mornings in the halls,
lectures in class, dances in the cafeteria
and yelling for the team.
Friends to make and goals to pursue —
MEMORIES ARE MADE.

Bright lights shining on a young athlete
as he runs in to the endzone,
a ball echoing on a hardwood floor,
the swish of a net,
the pop of a driven serve,
long sets in blazing sun,
and a final goal slipped
in under a darkening sky —
CHAMPIONS ARE BORN.

A lunch time chat,
an endless phone conversation in the dark,
the Wild Bunch,
group pizzas and cruisin' town;
secret notes between classes,
hearts and names on notebooks,
first dates and holding hands,
just one more slow dance
before the lights go on —
LIVES ARE INTERTWINED.



A botched chemistry experiment,
a trip through time,
the savory aroma of dinner in another land,
mystifying equations memorized,
recognizing a familiar face
in a six hundred-year-old legend —
MINDS ARE EXPANDED.

Each step leading away and beyond the
familiar,
never to be retraced;
faces and voices burning into memory,
numbering our days as Spartans
on the passage into adulthood,
lined with tears and goodbyes and a tassel.

What remains when the door closes behind us,
when age looms between the present and
the past?

All the golden memories, that's what.
They'll be there.

Just wait.

Hilary Hunt

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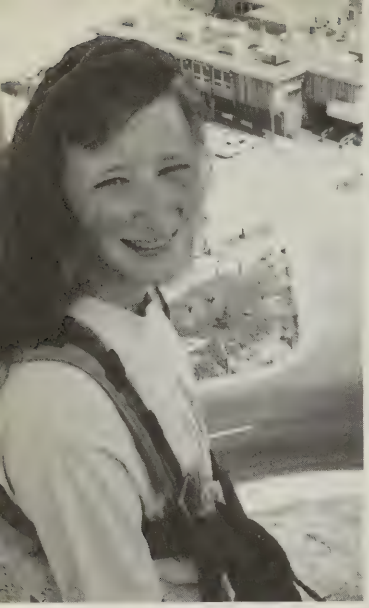

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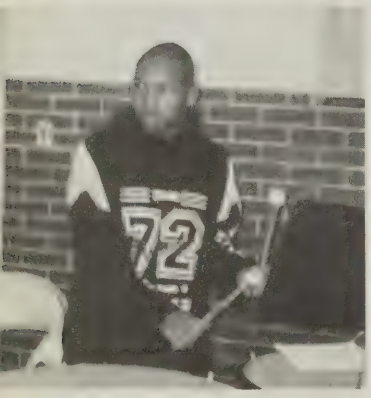

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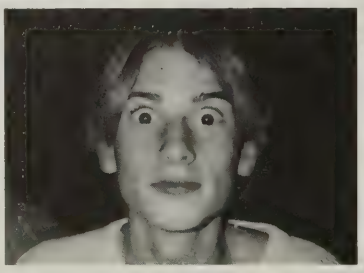
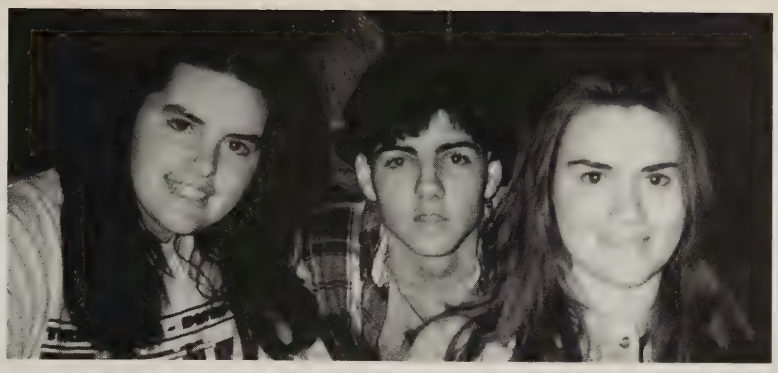
— Shannon Bohn





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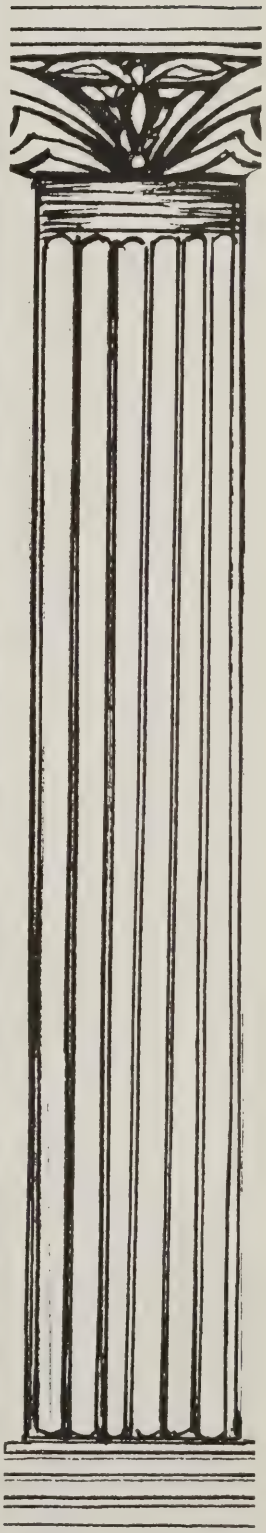


TENNIS
1996 Spartans

Although the boys tennis team was pressed for players this year, it did not stop them from being competitive. During the regular season, Russell and Ryan played number one doubles. Evan teamed up with L.J. at number two and the combination of Andy and David competed in third doubles. In district tournament play, Russell played two hard sets in singles against the player from Radford. Although he was unsuccessful in singles, he and his younger brother, Evan, were a dominating duo that went on to clinch the double's title. They advanced to regional and state play and finished their year third in the state.

BOYS

(L-R) Daniel Robinson, Evan Bowling, Andy Johnston, David Henderson, Russell Bowling, Ryan Hick, B.J. Williams, L.J. Goad, Jerry Paul Smith, and Coach Greg Brown

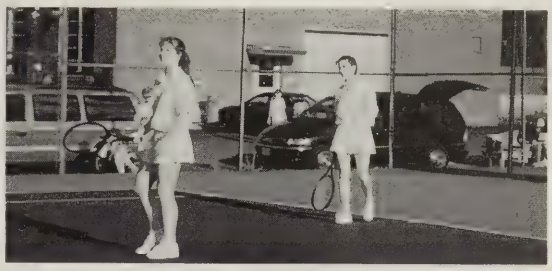
Congratulations Russell and Evan Bowling! Third place in the state.

"One"derful Form: Russell Bowling returns a deep lob during a match. He led the team, competitively playing number one singles and doubles.

Double Trouble: Ryan Heck and L.J. Goad practice doubles before their weekend match against Bluefield. The team had to play on Saturdays to make up for time lost due to weather.

Putting It Away: Evan Bowling, second seed for the team, perfects his awesome smash during warmups one Saturday.

The team looks to the only senior, Avrial Athey, and the top three seeds: Jamie Jennell, Julie Keating, and Michele Johnston, respectively, for leadership.



Having Fun in the Sun. Juniors Jamie Jennell and Michele Johnston team up to play number one doubles against Floyd on one of the nicest days all season.

GIRLS

(L-R) Holly McCall, Michele Johnston, Jamie Jennell, Julie Keating, Amy Ryder, Heather Austin, Avrial Athey, Rachel Mann, Brianna Robinson, Jessica Bowman, Amanda Meredith, Coach Kay Rakes, Dawn St. Clair, Tiffany Bowman, and Shannon Bohn. (Not pictured - Angela Fraley)

The girls tennis team had a successful year, finishing second in the district. The season was more than just wins or losses though. The girls built friendships and memories that will last forever.

Things to remember from 1996 Tennis:

Team Mascot: An aardvark (with two A's)

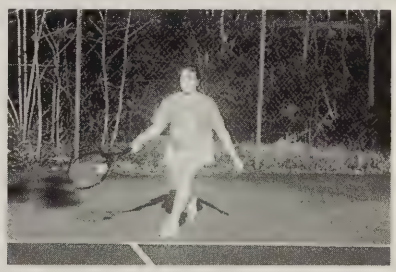
Team Food: Rice Crispy treats, bananas, and whatever "goodies" Coach made

Team Phrases: "Puff-up!" "No man's land." "Aardvark, aardvark."

Favorite Ball Number: 5

By Michele Johnston

Taking a Break. Holly McCall and Amy Ryder rest before their match at Floyd. Coach Rakes provided homemade snacks to eat while they weren't playing.



In Your Face. Heather Austin displays her overhead "smash" in the second set of her singles match.

Keeping an Eye on the Ball. Michele Johnston returns a cross court shot in singles against Floyd. She finished the season undefeated, making her career record 21-0.

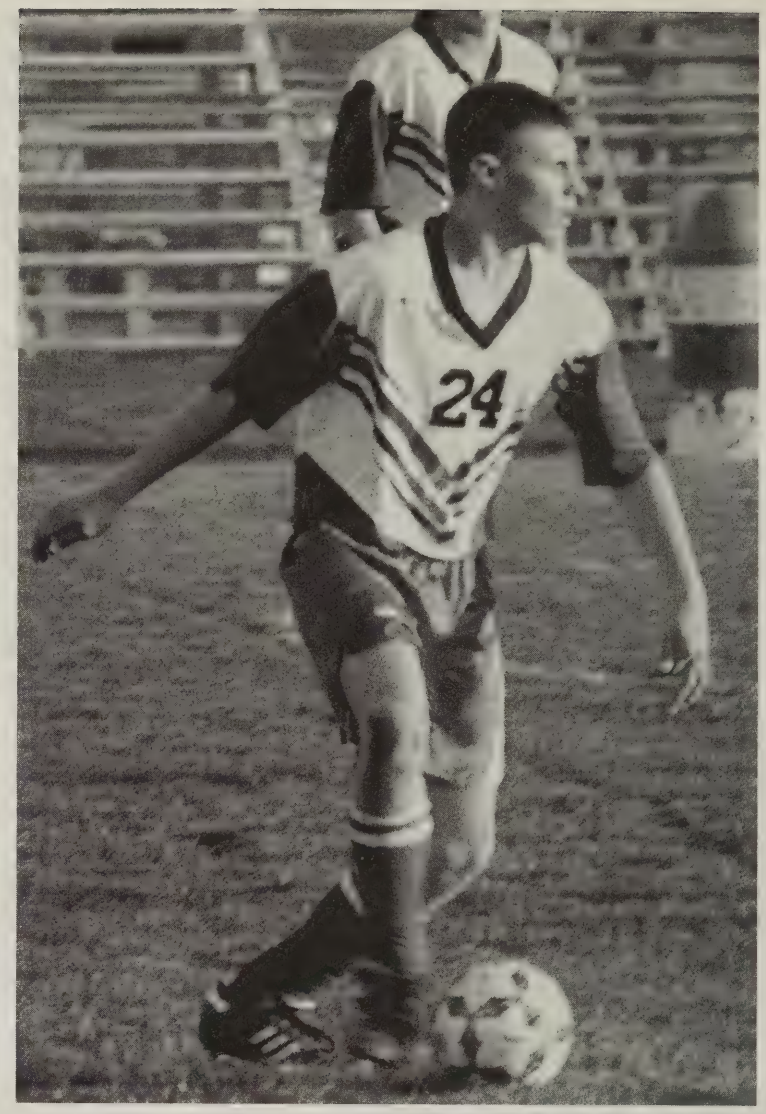
Timeout to Celebrate. (above) Coach Rakes shows off her ice cream birthday cake. The team took time during a practice to recognize her day.

TEAM RECORD

Narrows 8-1
Radford 4-5, 4-5
Auburn 9-0, 9-0
Shawsville 8-1, 8 -1
Floyd 7-2, 7-2
George Wythe 6-3

BREAKING THROUGH
Junior Captain Robbie Claytor dribble around the Glenvar defenders as Giles goes on to win 10-0. Robbie earned MVP honors this year.

LOOKING AHEAD
Junior Bret Nicholson looks upfield to distribute the ball from his sweeper position. Bret was an invaluable part of the Spartan defense.

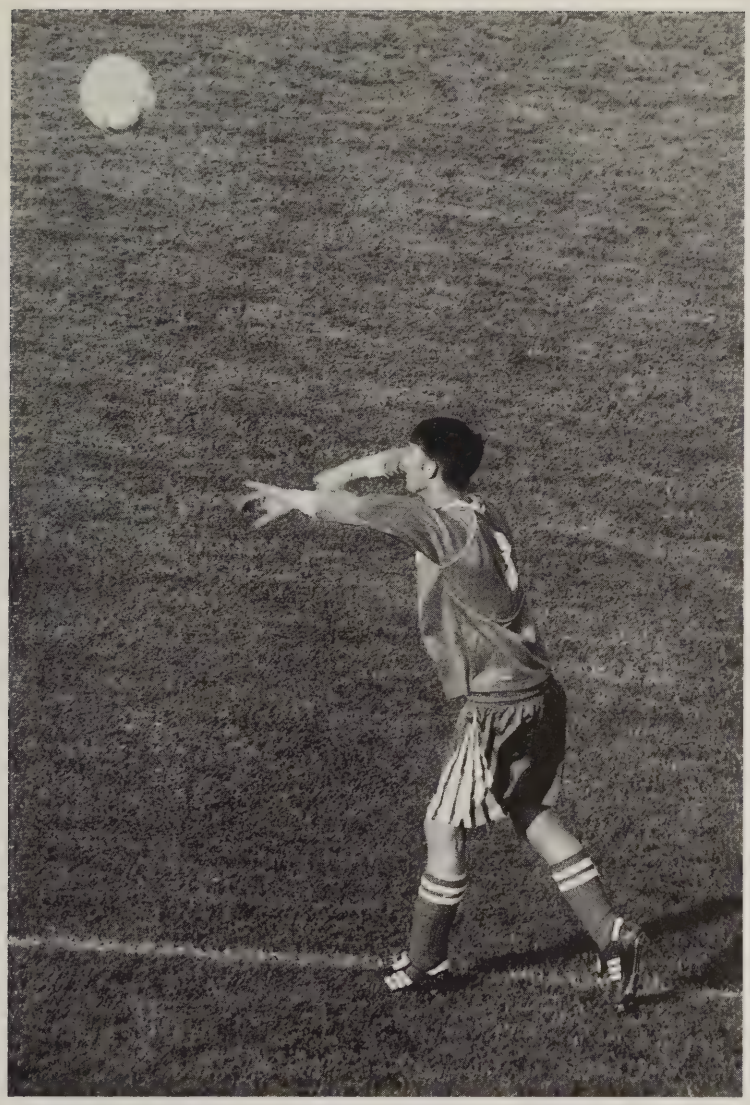


It's all about

TEAMWORK

This year the Spartan soccer team had its best season ever. Having a regular season record of 7-6 they defeated three Single A schools and one Double A school.

The soccer team went to the Region C tournament at George Wythe High School. The Spartans defeated George Wythe in the first round 4-0 to advance to the finals. In the finals the team faced the Radford Bobcats losing 0-2 in a hard fought game. After the Region C tournament the Spartans went to Radford High School to play Northumberland in an Invitational State Tournament. After being tied 3-3 late in the second half, the team fell short losing 3-5. This season is the first time in school history that the Spartan soccer team has made it to a state tournament.



GETTING IT IN

Junior Landon Casidy quickly gets the ball back into play in the Region C tournament game against George Wythe. Landon was a valuable weapon on offense with his long throwing ability.

DISTRIBUTING THE BALL

Junior goalie Jason Butler punts the ball up the field after making a save against Glenvar. Jason did a great job in the goal this season with three shutouts.

TACKLING THE BALL

Junior Zeb Bowden charges the ball against Glenvar HIgh School in a 10-0 shut-out. Although playing for the first time Zeb was a valuable asset to the teams defense.

SCORES

	US	THEM
Carrol Co.	7	0
Pulaski	0	6
Christiansburg	0	7
George Wythe	4	1
Marion	2	1
Pulaski	1	3
Glenvar	10	0
Blacksburg	1	6
George Wythe	6	1
Marion	3	2
Glenvar	9	1
Radford	1	2
Radford	2	3
George Wythe	4	0
Radford	0	2
Northumberland	5	3

VARSITY SOCCER

First Row: Manager David Claytor, Michael Hartley, Chris Martin, Zeb Bowden, Jenny Burn, Leslie Perdue, Melanie Collins and Manager Andrew Simmons. Second Row: Todd Meredith, Timmy Sutphin, Matt Whitehead, Ben Miller, Jason Butler, Jonathon ST. Ledger, Bret NIcholson, and Chris Morris. Third Row: Sirenna Patterson, Jamie Meadows, Jason Taylor, Jon Fullen, David Dufault, Landon Cassidy, Anthony Myers, Robbie Claytor, and Coach Neil Schmidt.

Baseball

Spartans Make History

The Giles Spartan Varsity Baseball team made history this season as the team captured the T.R.D. regular season and tournament championship titles this year. The Spartans fell only one game short to Powell Valley 3-0 in the semifinal game.

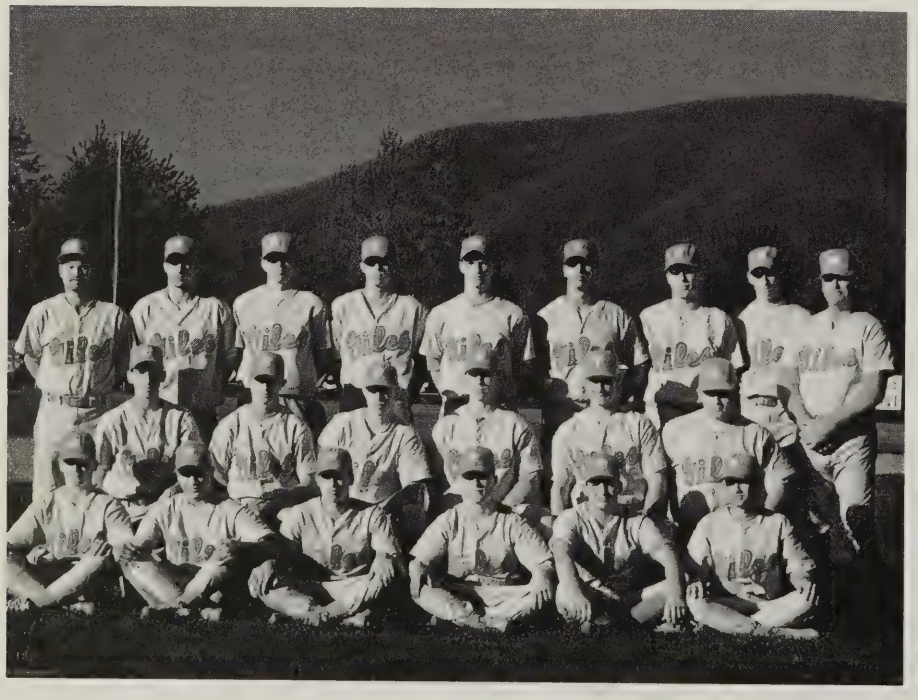
The Spartans finished the year with a 22-2 record. "It will be a season that we all will remember; it was truly a fun season," stated Coach Frazier.

By Landon Cassidy

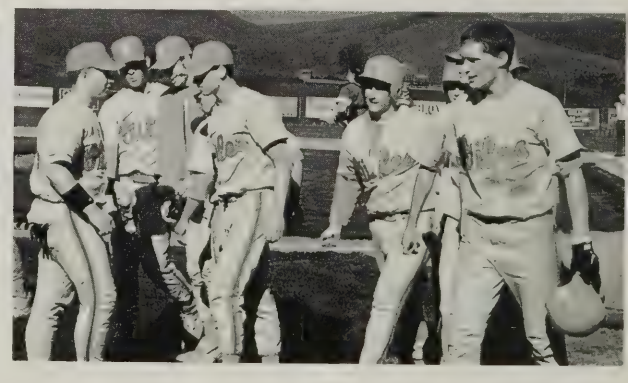
Varsity

Giles	Opponent	
3	Christiansburg	2
12	Narrows	4
6	Craig Co.	5
21	Galax	2
13	Narrows	3
11	Rocky Gap	1
3	Radford	1
11	Auburn	1
7	Craig Co.	4
8	Shawsville	5
4	Floyd	3
13	Ft. Chiswell	7
14	Shawsville	9
13	Auburn	0
1	Floyd	8
11	Christiansburg	9
9	Radford	7
T.R.D. Tournament		
8	Radford	3
6	Shawsville	0
Region C		
8	Ft. Chiswell	6
5	Bath Co.	1
2	Grayson	1
State		
10	St. Paul	7
0	Powell Valley	3

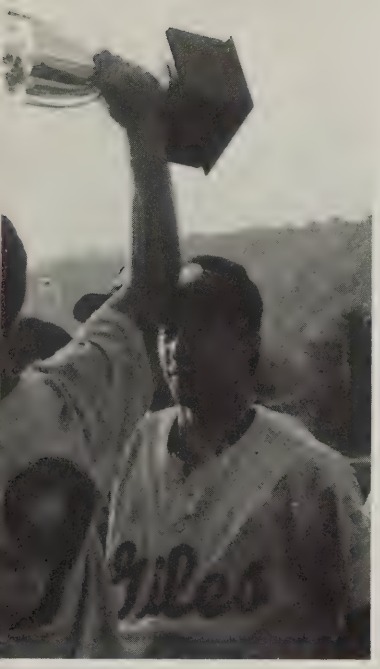
Spartan Ben Brown slides into home as Narrow' catcher makes an attempt to tag him out. The Spartans went on to win the game 12-4.



1996 Varsity Baseball Team. Front Row: (from left) Phillip Hilton, Travis Price, Chris Hutchison, Justin Bostic, Chris Bales, Aaron Tickle. **Middle:** Jason Martin, Jimmy Smith, Matt Marshall, Ben Brown, Matt McClaugherty, Andy French. **Back:** Head coach: Mr. Bruce Frazier, Josh Stephens, B.J. Evans, Chris Ratcliffe, Adam Jones, Jerod Dalton, Neal Mustard, Scott Caldwell; assistant coach: Marty Brown.

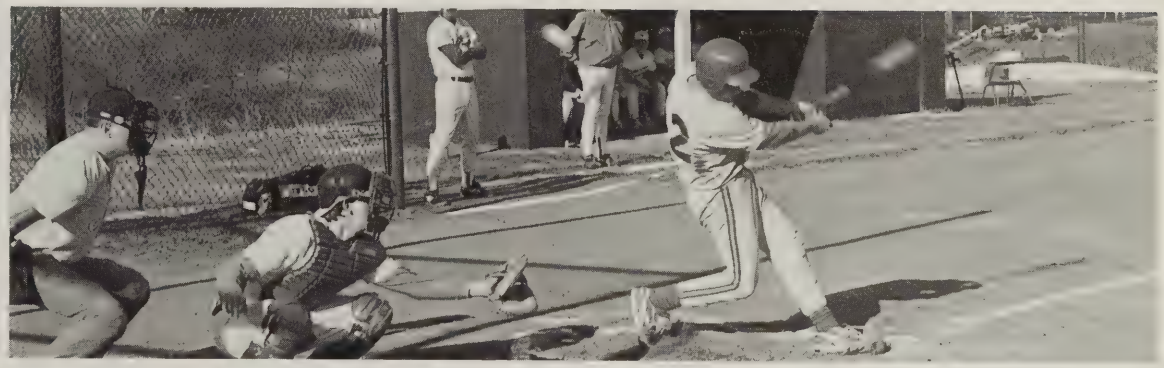


Spartan teammates switch innings during a regular season district game against Shawsville. The Spartans played a great game by defeating Shawsville 8-5.



After defeating Shawsville 6-0, the Spartans celebrate their victory as the T.R.D. regular season and tournament champions.

Senior Matt McClaugherty puts full-force into a Narrows pitch and shows off his perfect form.



Spartan pitcher Neal Mustard delivers the pitch in a game against Narrows. Neal held Narrows to four hits and no earned runs.

During warm-ups, JV third baseman B.J. Smith makes a throw to first base to prepare for their game against Radford.

1996 JV Baseball Team. Front Row: (from left) Brandon Smith, Shawn McCroskey, Brandon Hilton, Travis Jones, Clint Batson, Eric Price, Cameron Condrey, Scott Moye and manager Josh Snider. **Middle:** Shaun Radford, Josh Williams, Jason Williams, Jesse Cook, Craig Steele, Mark Woodyard, Justin Smith, B.J. Smith, and head coach Mr. Jarrod Hines. **Back:** Assistant Coach Mr. Steve Wilson; Monte Tickle, Ross Rhodes, Chad Price, Josh Jennelle, Seth Bandy, Jon Bostic, Scott Minnick, Jack Tickle and Zach Whitsett. Not pictured: Jason Edwards.

Eighth graders Victoria Abernathy, Brandy Gautier, and Allison Reynolds, gather together to stretch before their events.

Eighth grader Crystal Perdue hurriedly makes her way towards the finish line, while running her 1600 meter relay.

Girls Track Teams

SCORES

Varsity

Site	Place
Giles	1st of 4
Giles	1st of 2
Radford	1st of 2
Giles	1st of 2
Giles	1st of 2
Floyd	1st of 2
Radford	AA Relay
Radford	1st of 5
Radford	District
Regional	2nd place
State meet	

Front row (l-r): Rylee Roads, Holly Johnson, Deanna Martin, Lori Marion, Melanie Morris, Whitney Matlock, Amanda Grogan, Melissa Shepherd, Katie Meredity, Leslie Houck, and manager Jessica Caldwell. Second row: April Meredith, Keeli Whetzel, Megan Noble, Jessica Clark, Tammy Whittaker, Tarrah Phillips, Amanda Porterfield, Carrie Blankenship, Becky McCracken, Sara Wilson, and Patience St. Leger. Back row: Autumn Grooves, Amber Jones, Kelly Ratcliffe, Jodi Mullins, Lori Talbert, Fredom Kelly, Lashawands Dickerson, Brandy Falls, Beth Green, Pam Riggs, Leslie Moses, and Sarah Martin. Not pictured are Billie Jean Kirk and Jackie Phillips.

Eighth grader Nicole Shepherd makes her way over the high jump var in the Three River District meet.

SCORES

Eighth Grade

Site	Place
Auburn	1st of 3
Giles	Tied
Shawsville	1st of 2
Giles	3rd of 3
Giles	3rd of 4
Giles	3rd of 5

Front row (l-r): Crystal Perdue, Nicole Shepherd, Patti Talbert, Victoria Abernathy, and Morgan Conley. Second row: Amelia Tuckerwiller, Allison Reynolds, Sarah Richardson, Julie Woods, and Jamie Johnson. Back row: Nicky Reynolds, Dana Young, Amy Merrix, Missy Gusler, Brandy Gautier, and Mary Ellen Miller.

Senior Kelly Ratcliffe's persistence, hard work, and dedication paid off. She not only went on to compete in the state met three years in a row, but also won the scholar athlete of the month of April award.

Junior Whitney Matlock crosses the finish line after competing in the 200 meter dash.

Senior Keeli Whetzel and Junior Tammy Whittaker hurriedly run towards the finish line during the 100 meter dash. Keeli Whetzel placed 2nd and Tammy Whittaker placed 3rd in the Giles vs. Shawsville meet.

Junior Megan Noble comes in for a landing in the 100 meter hurdles at a winning meet against Pulaski, Carroll, and Narrows.

Junior Jessica Clark makes her way towards the finish line on her two mile run against Shawsville. Compiled by Nicole Jones.

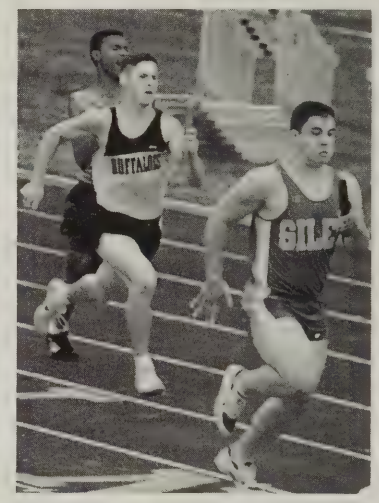
Boys Track

Varsity

Site	Place
Giles	1st of 4
Giles	1st of 2
Radford	1st of 2
Giles	1st of 2
Giles	1st of 2
Floyd	1st of 2
AA Relays	1st
Radford	2nd of 5
TRD	1st
Regional	2nd

Junior Brian Lambert runs toward the finish line while copmeting in the one mile run at the state meet in UVA. Brian will travel to Europe this sumer among a select group of only 40 athletes from over 30 states. He will spend 18 days touring and competing.

Tommy Workman runs the last leg on the 400-meter relay team at the state meet. Tommy's strength and endurance combined with Scott Sparks, Kevin Slusser, and Reggie Hoston formed a very successful relay team this year.



Senior Reggie Hoston is flying high, warming up for the long jump before a meet. Reggie's amazing leaps have added extra points to lead the team to many victories.

Kevin Slusser, a senior on the team, soars through the air in the 300-meter hurdles. His determination to strive for the best helped him to have a very successfull year.

Eighth Grade

Front: Darren Long, Andrew Simmons, Andy Bowden, Justin Hilton, Ace Godfrey. Back: Davey Kerr, Jeremiah Stevers, Steven Linkous, and Michael Paul Worley. Not pictured: Aubrey Hilton and David Taylor.

Ace Godfrey shows off his good form for jumping the 100-meter hurdles. Ace also competed in the 300-meter hurdles and the high jump. He finished the day with second place in the 100-meter hurdles.

Varsity

Bottom: Casey Clark, Micah Steele, James Peters, Danny Wachsman. Middle: Brandon Steele, Raymond Songer, Mikey Hilton, Joey Rankin, Jeffery Dickerson, Brian Lambert. Back: Roger Simpkins,Travis Cline, John King, Jason Porterfield, Jeremy Saunders, Kevin Slusser, Reggie Hoston, Marty Midkiff, Stephen Hypes. Not pictured: Shane Bramblett, Adam Jeffers, Michael Mertz, Olaah Perry, Shawn Snider, Timmy Snider, Shaun Vaught, Derrick Wilson, Tommy Workman.

Site	Place
Auburn	1st of 3
Giles	2nd of 3
Shawsville	1st of 2
Giles	3rd of 3
Giles	2nd of 4
Giles	4th of 5

Steven Linkous focuses on his shot put technique during the Three Rivers District meet. Stevens' hard work and efforts earned him a second place victory in the event.

PROM 1996

Up Close and Personal

1996 Prom Prince and Princess, Tommy Workman and Lori Talbert.

1996 Prom King and Queen, Andrew Wagoner and Tina Kerr.

Who ever said suits were made only for dancing!

Seniors Brandon Steele and Tina Collins take time out from dancing.

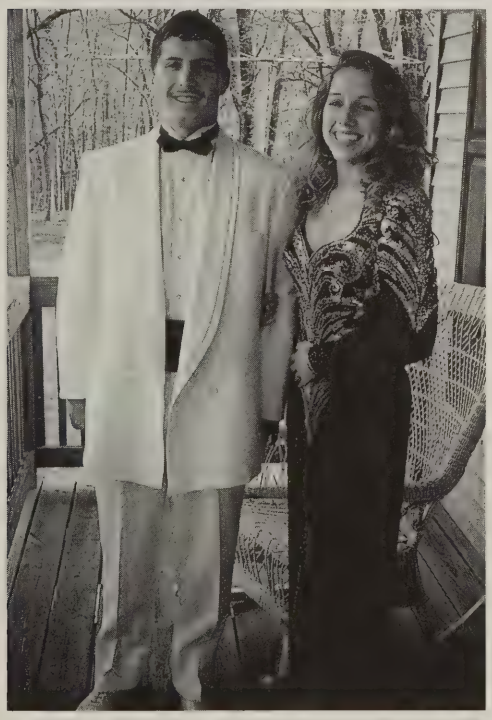
Lady in red . . . Senior Jessica Higginbotham and her date John Montgomery.

Cute as a button . . . Senior Jimmy Smith and Junior Nicole Jones.

Shining Bright . . . Senior Gina Claytor and her date Mike Slusser.

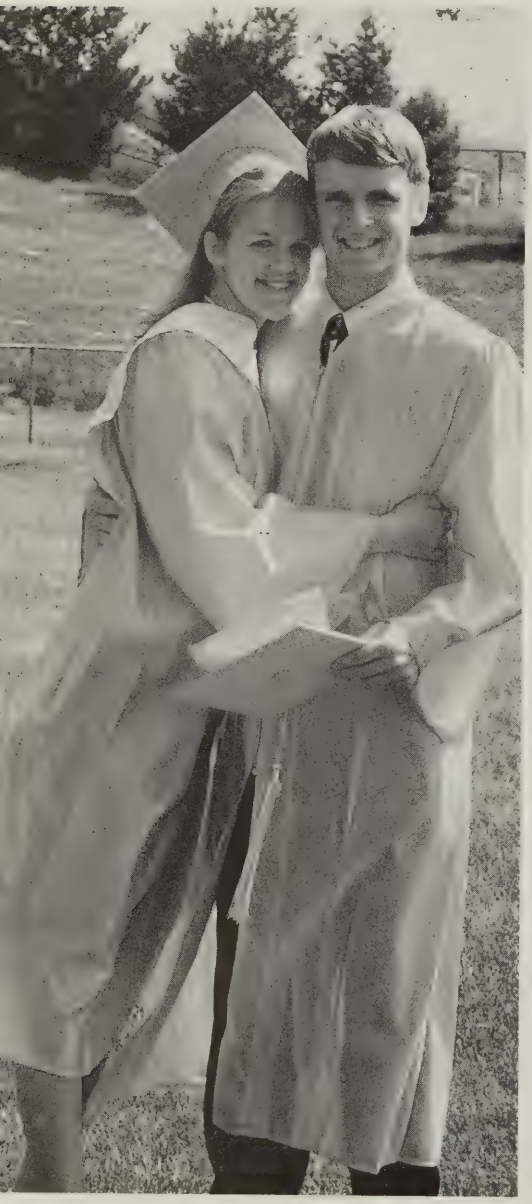
Chris Walker, Laura Martin, Stuart Davis, Jessica Bowman, Tripp Bane, Brianna Robinson, Jason Porterfield and Shannon Bohn pose for a picture before prom.

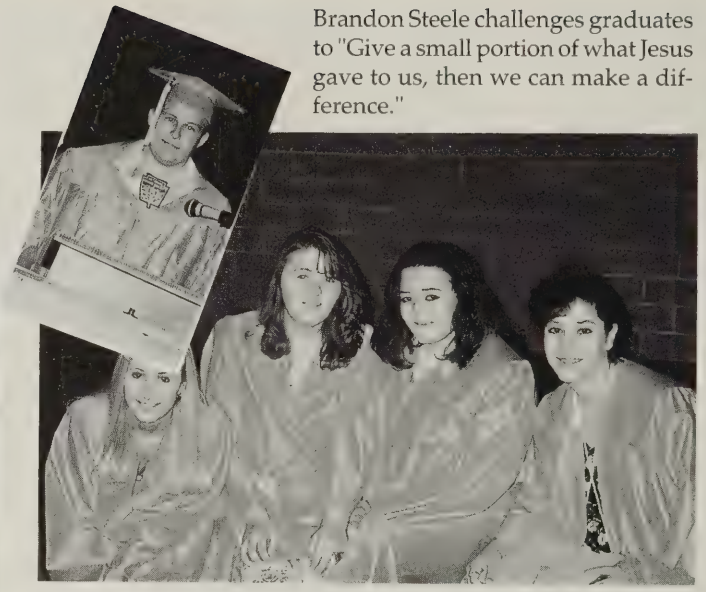
Juniors Landon Cassidy and Jodie Mullins stand for a picture before going to Pargo's for dinner. Prom reported by Billie Jean Kirk.



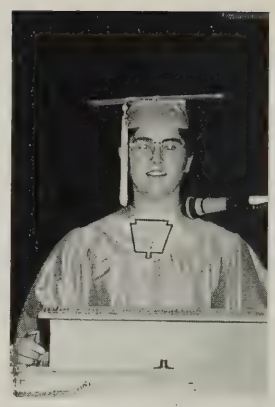
Seniors Kevin Slusser and Billie Jean Kirk smile for a picture before leaving for prom.

Senior couple Tina Kerr and Andrew Wagner cherish the joy they find in each other's arms.

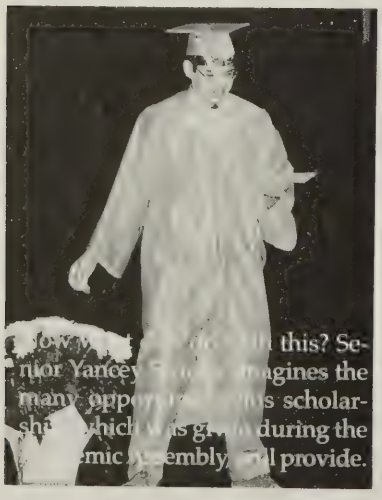




Brandon Steele challenges graduates to "Give a small portion of what Jesus gave to us, then we can make a difference."



Valedictorian Pam Morse reminds graduates, "We do not leave here to sadly remember these as the best days of our lives. We go forth to live those days."



[illegible] this? Senior Yancey [illegible] imagines the many opp[illegible] his scholarship which [illegible] during the [illegible]emic [illegible]embly [illegible] provide.

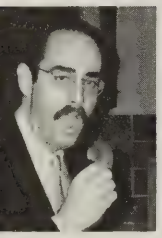
Now Life Begins - Seniors celebrate the dawning of a new day. Now with the diploma, graduates' dreams can become realities.

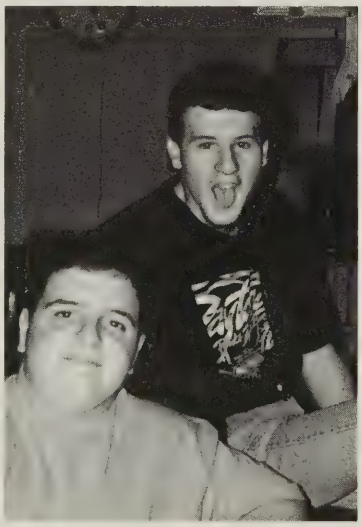
Seniors Marilyn Butler and Brandy Falls go through the high school doors for the last time as undergraduates.

Doctor, lawyer, or candlestick maker - There's no telling what these seniors will become. Perhaps one of them will discover the cure for the incurable disease.

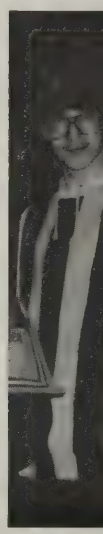
Seniors pose for fun shots after their final group picture.

Graduation - Facing the Future. Layout and Pictures by Shannon Bohn.





The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.
Eleanor Roosevelt



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G. Korganow, Gamma/Liaison

French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

AP/Wide World

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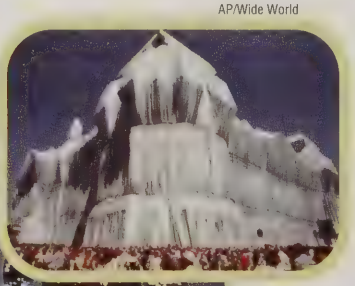
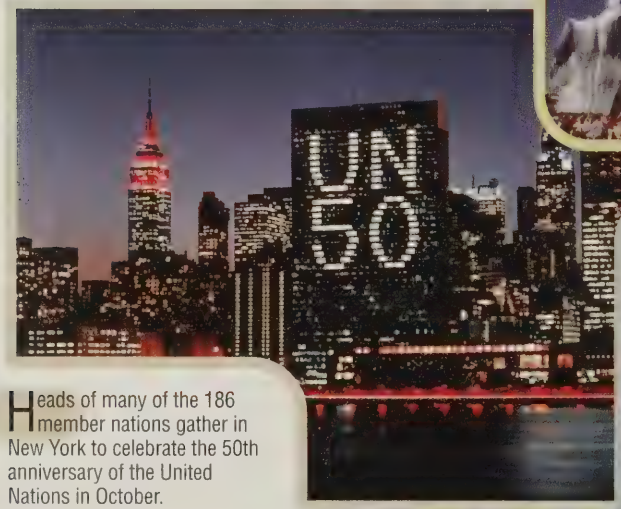
Pope John Paul II visits New Jersey, New York and Maryland, and addresses the United Nations. He speaks out on social, economic, political and moral themes.



Wrap artist Christo creates "Wrapped Reichstag" for the city of Berlin by covering the former home of the German parliament with one million square feet of silver fabric in June.

In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.



Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in October.

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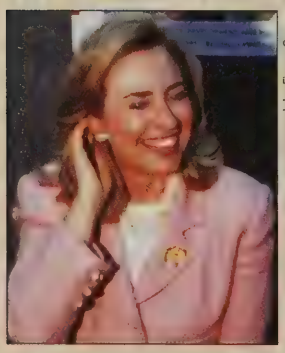
Phillippe Giraud, Sygma

Tahitian protests escalate into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



John Ficara, Sygma

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience.

Dan Dean, Gamma/Liaison

Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

AP/Wide World

Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.

JIJI Press/AFP from Bettmann

Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.

Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.

An earthquake kills 51 people on the resort-studded Pacific coast of Mexico. The quake measures 7.5 on the Richter scale and is felt 330 miles away in Mexico City.

J. Ficara, Sygma

The first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Hurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.

AP/Wide World

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Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.

flash

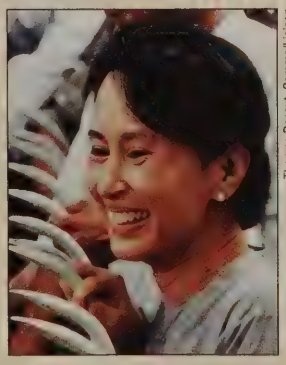
In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.

Brooks Kraft, Sygma

Quebec, Canada's largely French-speaking province, defeats an October referendum on Quebec independence by a margin of less than one percent.



Thomas Renaut, Gamma/Liaison

In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.

Olive Brunskill, Allsport

Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.

Gamma/Liaison

Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband, Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.

AP/Wide World

Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a $1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

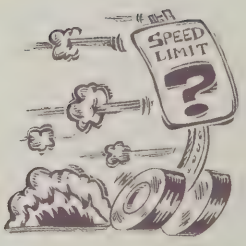
national news

A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a $2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.

Brant Ward, *San Francisco Chronicle*/Gamma/Liaison

Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.

AP/Wide World



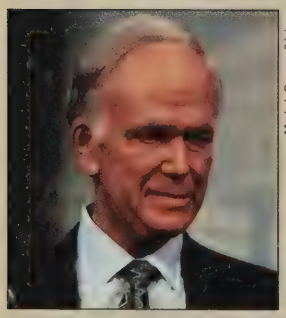
The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to set their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.

African-American men from across the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.

Larry Downing, Sygma

AFP/Bettmann

Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.

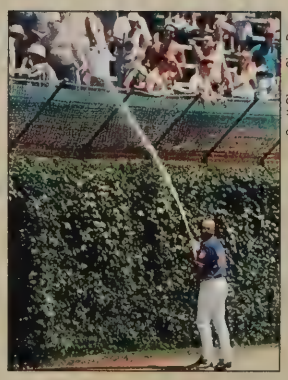


Markel, Gamma/Liaison

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.

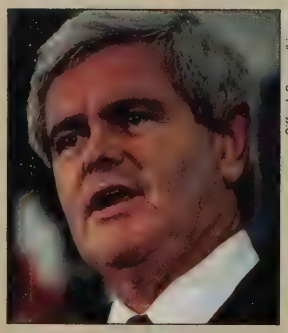
AP/Wide World

The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.



Scott Olson, Sipa Press

Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.



Gifford, Gamma/Liaison

After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.

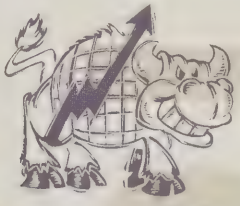
Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.

The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children.

Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma

As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.

Zielenbach *Chicago Tribune* from Gamma/Liaison



On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.

AP/Wide World

The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.

flash

Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

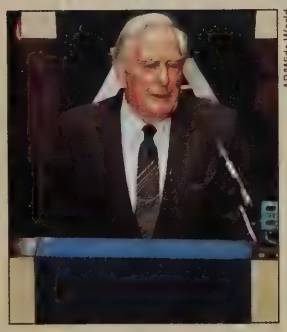
An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis $1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an $11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of $45 million.

AP/Wide World

A record snowfall paralyzes the East Coast in January 1996, stranding travelers and killing 100 people. Seven states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, declare emergencies. Philadelphia gets 30.7 inches of snow.



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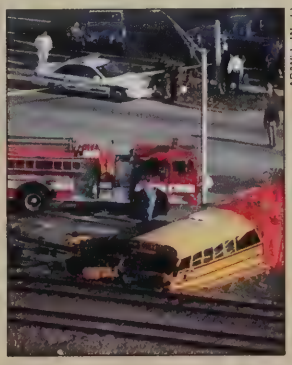
Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.

AP/Wide World

The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.



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A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.

Bettmann Archive

American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

science news

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma

As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.

NASA

A stunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.

AP/Wide World

In March, the Federal Drug Administration approves a chicken-pox vaccine. Rarely fatal, chicken-pox affects 3.7 million Americans annually.

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.

Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.

© Cincinnati Zoo

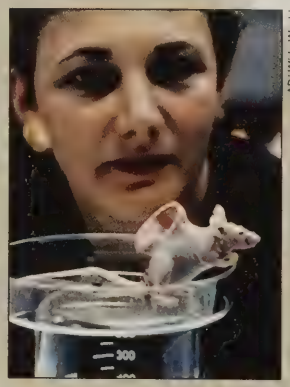
The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.

AP/Wide World

Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.

Val Mazzenga/Chicago Tribune

Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as $10,000.



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In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.

AP/Wide World

As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new $100 bill.

flash

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov.

NASA

In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.

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Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s $700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.

A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

The movie *Apollo 13* opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.

After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancer-related gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

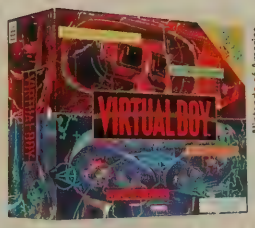
Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named Riwoche for its home region in Tibet.

October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.

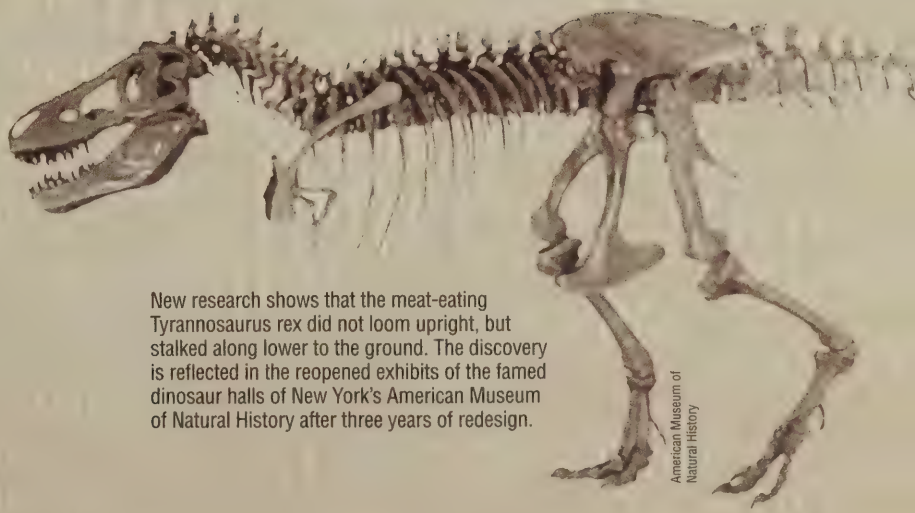
VISA International

In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.



Nintendo of America

Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.



New research shows that the meat-eating Tyrannosaurus rex did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

American Museum of Natural History

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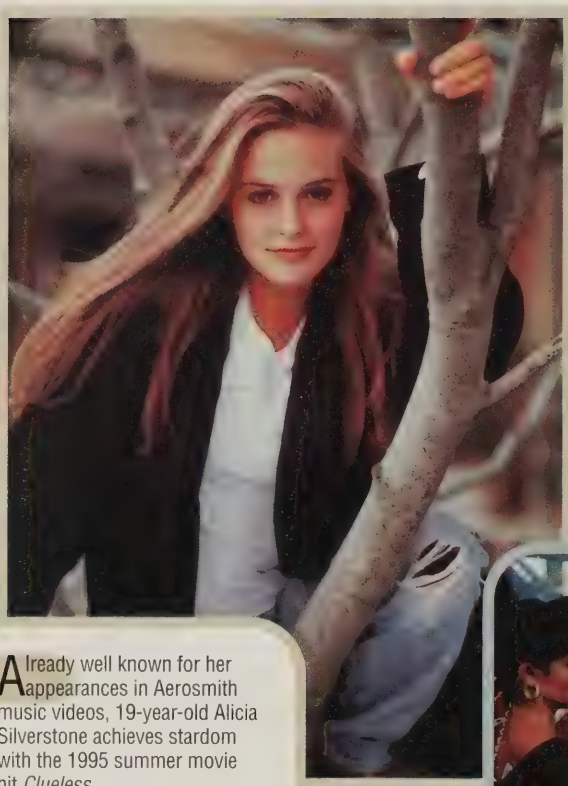
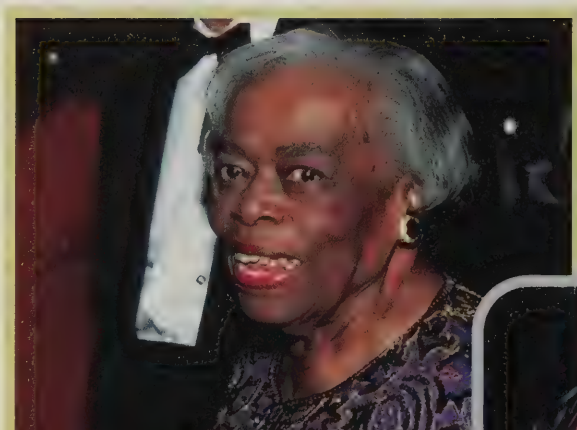


Dana Fineman, Sygma

Already well known for her appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless.*



J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With $150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crüe drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.

Bill Jordan, *Charleston Post Courier* from Sipa Press

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.

Frank Capri/Saga from Archive Photos

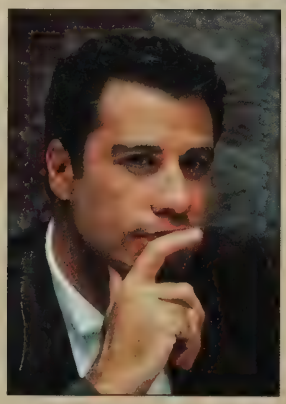
Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.

Marc Deville, Gamma/Liaison

Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sex-symbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much.* Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro.*



Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow.*

Fotex from Shooting Star

Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping.* Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.

America is disappointed in its high hopes for Colin Powell's 1996 presidential candidacy. At the close of his whirlwind book tour for *My American Journey*, the General and his wife Alma announce in November that he will not seek the Republican nomination.

Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaison

Stand-up comic and sitcom star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book *My Point...And I Do Have One.*

Sandra Johnson, Retna

Christopher Reeve, in a wheelchair and hooked up to a portable respirator, appears with his wife, Dana, at the American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9, less than five months after a fall from a horse left him almost totally paralyzed.

AP/Wide World

A 10-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a $10,000 scholarship by the bus company.

AP/Wide World

flash

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a cold-hearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

***Breaking the Surface*, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.**

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

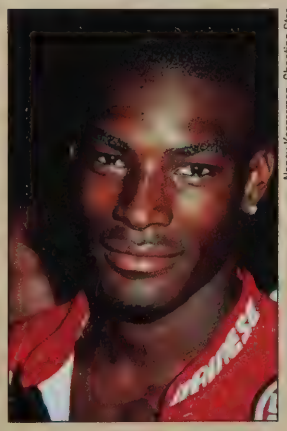
Two Chinese women set a new Guiness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.

Marissa Roth, LGI

Actress Demi Moore becomes the highest paid woman in Hollywood, able to command $12.5 million per movie, even after this year's flop at the box office *The Scarlet Letter*, loosely based on Hawthorne's classic.

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Favorite of America's heartland for his *You Might Be A Redneck If...* jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself.



Nancy Kaszerman, Shooting Star

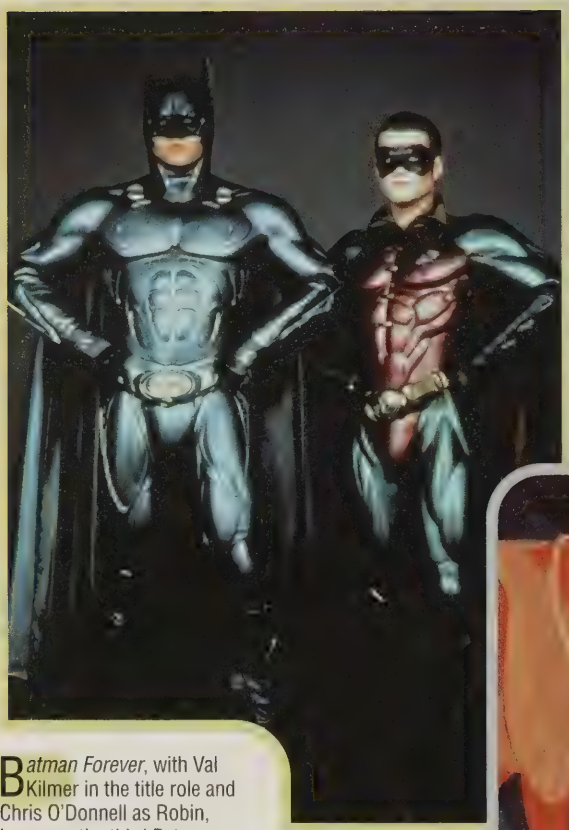
Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.

AP/Wide World

Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant, viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.

Kurt Viavant, Sipa Press

John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of *George*, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.



Sygma

Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's top-grossing film.

United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless*, based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.

M. Gerber, LGI

After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.

Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting to Exhale*, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middle-class African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.

Bedford Falls from Shooting Star

Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt*, *To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.

In the suspense-thriller *Seven*, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.

Jeff Katz, Gamma/Liaison

NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.

Disney Entertainment spends $19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.

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Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.

MTV introduces "Singled Out," an over-the-top dating game show where contestants ask random, pointless questions of a crowd of suitors, sight unseen, until the zany answers have eliminated all but that one perfect love match.

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."

Pacha, LGI

Jim Carrey earns $20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.

Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison

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Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.

Steve Hill, LGI

Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.

Fox from Shooting Star

Fox TV's "The X Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.

Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.

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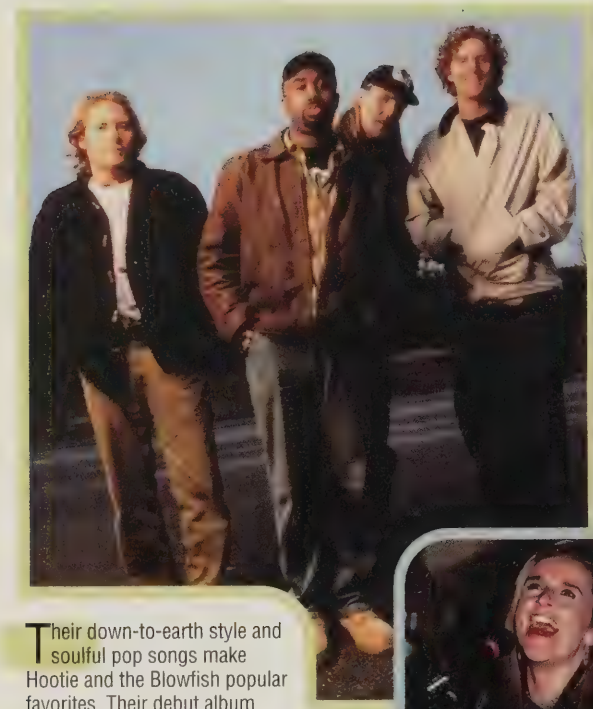
music news



John Chiasson, Gamma/Liaison

Their down-to-earth style and soulful pop songs make Hootie and the Blowfish popular favorites. Their debut album *Cracked Rear View* sells over 5 million, and the group is named Best New Artist at the MTV Music Awards in September.

Pacha, LGI

Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."

Steve Grantz, Retna

Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal.*

AP/Wide World

Yoko Ono and Little Richard join a host of celebrities at the opening of the glitzy Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland on September 1.

John Bellissimo, LGI

Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows top-selling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret.*

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Twenty-year-old Canadian newcomer Alanis Morissette raises some eyebrows with her up-front, aggressive lyrics and attitudes. Nevertheless, her album *Jagged Little Pill* goes double platinum.

Fotex from Shooting Star

Sixties icon Jerry Garcia, guitarist of The Grateful Dead, dies of a heart attack on August 9 at age 53. Garcia's musical roots in blues, country and folk are apparent in hits like "Truckin'." Legions of Deadheads mourn his passing.

Todd Gray, LGI

Brandy, whose self-titled platinum album and single "I Wanna Be Down" hit high on the R&B charts, sweeps the first Soul Train Music Awards in August. The 16-year-old singer wins Best New Artist, among other awards.

Bettmann

Beatlemania returns in 1995 with ABC's six-hour documentary *The Beatles Anthology,* the video releases of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!* and the album collection *Anthology,* featuring previously unreleased material.

Des Willie, Retna

The chart-topping movie soundtrack *Dangerous Minds* features Coolio's rap anthem "Gangsta's Paradise," the number-one single of the year according to *Billboard* magazine.

Live dedicate their single "Lightning Crashes" to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing. The rock band's *Throwing Copper* album yields three hit singles; Billboard Music Awards names them Rock Artist of the Year.

Joe Giron, LGI

The Chicago-based rock band Smashing Pumpkins release their epic double album *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* to critical and public acclaim.

Mark Hauser, LGI

Ronnie Wright, LGI

Mariah Carey's *Daydream* sells over 5 million copies, taking number-one spot on the *Billboard* album chart. Carey performs with Boyz II Men on the hit single "One Sweet Day."

Jeffrey Scales, LGI

Atlanta's TLC is honored at the Billboard Music Awards for providing two of the year's biggest hits. "Creep" and "Waterfalls" both lead the Hot 100 singles charts for weeks.

Steve Double, Retna

Former Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl plays a new sound as guitarist and lead singer in the Foo Fighters, an alternative rock band that enjoys three singles off their self-titled debut album in 1995.

flash

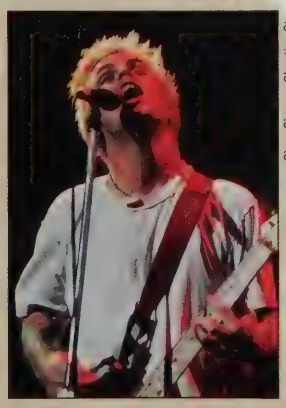
R.E.M.'s summer tour is interrupted by medical emergencies for three of the band's four members. The tour, their first in five years, is eventually completed with all members in good health.

In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers tone down their trademark bawdiness in their newest album, *One Hot Minute*.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

A hard-luck story turns into overnight success in the case of Canadian Shania Twain, born in poverty to an Irish mother and an Ojibway Indian father. Twain's 1995 hits include "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under?," "Any Man of Mine" and the title tune to her 3-million-selling album *The Woman In Me*.



Steve Simons, Shooting Star

Success doesn't mellow the style of alternative rock band Green Day, who release their anxiously awaited fourth album *Insomniac*, their fastest and darkest album to date.

Steve Jennings, LGI

Seal's hit off the *Batman Forever* movie soundtrack, "Kiss From a Rose," is all over the summer playlists. The single propels the artist's self-titled album to the double-platinum mark.

Marc Morrison, Shooting Star

With the record-setting sales of his album *Fresh Horses*, only three musical acts in U.S. history outsell country music icon Garth Brooks: the Beatles, the Eagles, and Billy Joel.

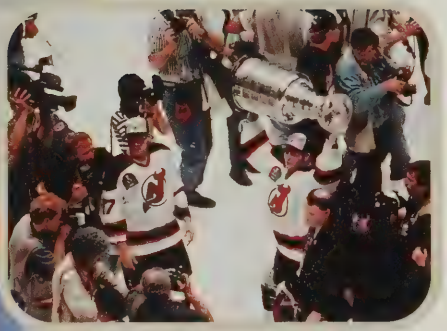
Smith, Gamma/Liaison

Selena, the 23-year-old Tejano music queen, is gunned down in Corpus Christi in March 1995 by Yolanda Saldivar, former president of her fan club. The July release of a collection of Selena's hits, *Dreaming of You*, sees some of the fastest sales in music history.

sports news

International soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.

Chris Cole, Allsport



Focus on Sports

The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.

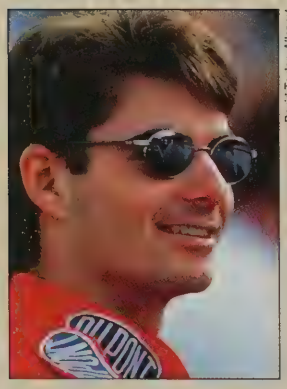
The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.

Clark Campbell, Sipa Press

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.

AP/Wide World

In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.

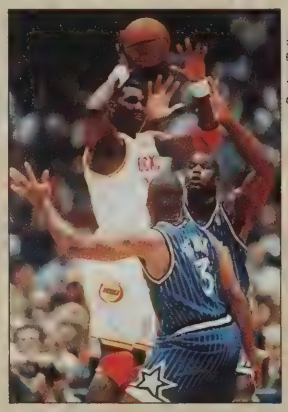


David Taylor, Allsport

Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning $4.3 million in 1995, a record for the sport.

AP/Wide World

The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.



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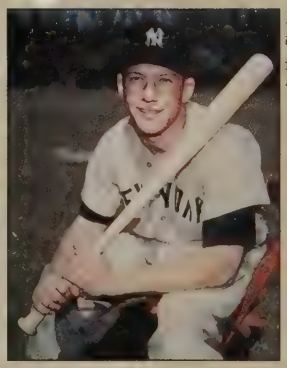
The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.

Steve Berman, Gamma/Liaison

Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



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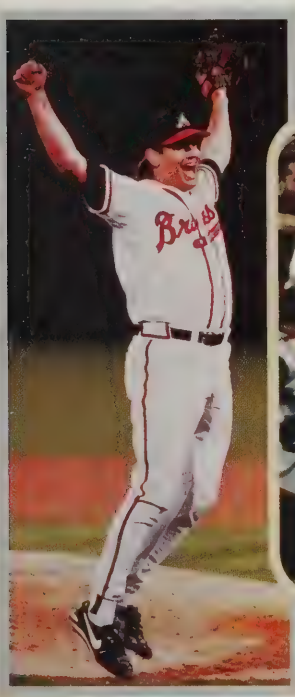
Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298.

The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls $25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

Vincent Laforet, Gamma/Liaison

The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game six to win the World Series on October 28. Closing pitcher Mark Wohlers leaps for joy.



Ric Stewart, Allsport

Doug Pensinger, Allsport

In September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripkin, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.

Clive Brunskill, Allsport

German tennis star Steffi Graf, who won three of five Grand Slam titles in 1995, ends the professional tennis season ranked number one in the world.

National Basketball Association referees strike against the league for much of the autumn. Fill-in officials spark complaints of substandard refereeing.

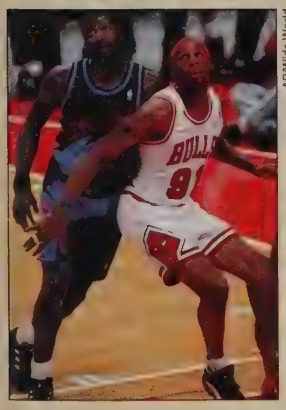
flash

Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

In his first fight in four years, former world heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns $25 million for the August boxing match.

Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.



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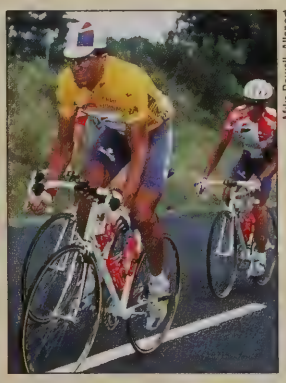
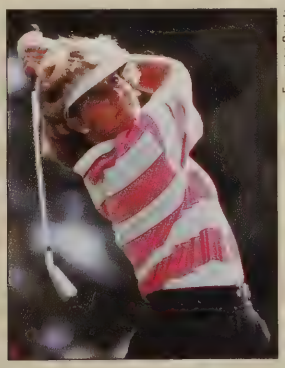
Known for his temperamental personality, his many tattoos and his aggressive playing style, basketball center Dennis Rodman (91) debuts with the Chicago Bulls after his trade from the San Antonio Spurs.



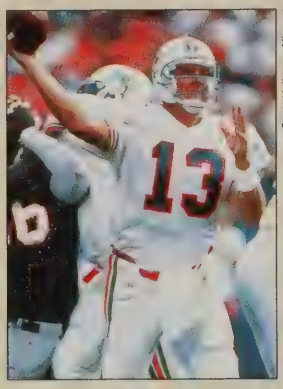
Mike Powell, Allsport

For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.



Focus on Sports

Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.



Scott Halleran, Allsport

Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four lifetime passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.

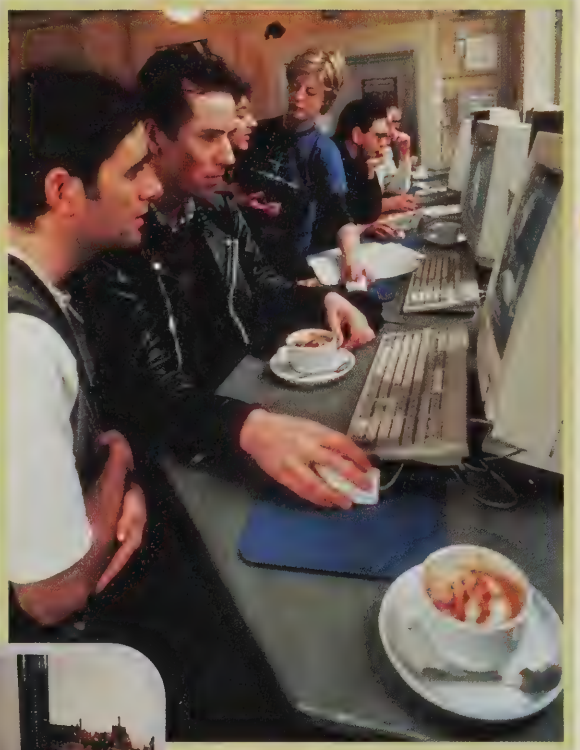
Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.

Jeff Christensen, Gamma/Liaison

lifestyle news

The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beef-flavored bottled water for Spot.



Mathieu Polak, Sygma

Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.

A first in the long, popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candy-coated mix.

Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tigh jeans for a loose baggy fit.

The tattoo craze leads to some reg but recent laser developments kee people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Americans consume culture and history as attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.

Logo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.

Girly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.

Lynn Goldsmith, LGI

Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."

The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.

"Some pretty cool people drink milk" is the message carried by a high-profile ad campaign featuring a raft of popular celebrities sporting a white upper lip on behalf of the healthy beverage. The milk-moustache effect is created with latex, a rubber-based paint

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